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DANGER TO SHANGHAI.

A Grab For the Richest Plum in China?

"DIE HARD" GENERAL.

Chiang Kai-shek Supporter on War Path.

AN INDEPENDENT GOVERNMENT.

Complications within the Nationalist Party portend serious developments around Shanghai. Either of two courses may follow. General Ho Ying-ching, who is a staunch supporter of Chiang Kai-shek, may make a grab for Shanghai and environs—the richest plum in China—or he may go away from the Yangtze River, southwards to Chekiang province to establish a separate government which may or may not include Chiang Kai-shek.

Other issues may have an important bearing on these events. The Wu-Han politicians are becoming increasingly dissatisfied with not accomplishing all they had hoped for at the Nanking conference and the Nationalist Party is in greater danger of disruption than at any time before. Canton is indirectly involved, some of the Nanking generals are quarrelling among themselves, General Tang Seng-chi is breaking away, and leaders with influence are returning to private life.

CANTON CRITICISED.

Shanghai, Yesterday. General Ho Ying-ching (the commander) is concentrating his 1st (Nationalist) Army at Hangchow (capital of Chekiang province), at which place General Chiang Kai-shek is reported to be. It is reported that General Ho Ying-ching is in reconciliation with the Wu-Han faction of the Nationalist Party and that he may establish an independent government.

There has been more labour trouble at Pootung.

Troops of General Ho Ying-ching's 1st Army attempted to disarm 1,500 men of the 31st Army at Lung-hwa this afternoon. The result of the fighting is unknown.—British Naval Wireless.

PRO-CHANG DIEHARD.

Trying To Keep Others From Shanghai?

Whereas the message above says that General Ho Ying-ching has eyes on Hangchow, other reports point to his trying to prevent other troops reaching Shanghai.

General Ho, it will be recalled, succeeded Chiang Kai-shek as commander of the 1st Army. From Swatow, he set out on a march northwards, through Fukien and Chekiang provinces, till he joined hands with his chief on the banks of the Yangtze.

When Chiang Kai-shek retired, Ho Ying-ching gave the impression that he was opposed to reconciliation with the Wu-Han faction. He was dubbed a "diehard" and he refused to attend the Kuomintang peace conference at Nanking.

Strengthening His Hand. While the politicians are trying to evolve a new government at Nanking, Ho Ying-ching has been strengthening his hand in their rear, namely, in that rich territory between Nanking and the mouth of the Yangtze, south of the river.

From one source it is learned that 1,500 troops involved in the trouble with the 1st Army belong to the 91st division under General Bei Huang-chi, who favours reconciliation between Nanking and Wu-Han. This general has a good many troops around Shanghai and his 91st division was found for Shanghai from Hangchow to which it is connected by railway.

Another Division Disarmed. At the same time, the 93rd division was going along the Shanghai-Nanking Railway (away from Shanghai) from Wushu to Changchow. This unit was also surrounded by the 1st Army and disarmed, says the "Industrial and Commercial Daily Press" ("Kung Sheung Yat Po").

Both the incidents referred to have more bearing on the Shanghai defence than on the question of holding Chekiang province. The inference is that General Ho Ying-ching has definitely decided to make a bold bid for the possession of Shanghai and hold it either for himself or for Chiang Kai-shek.

Such a course may be fraught with danger or the objective may be gained without a shot being fired. The latter would occur if the opponents to General Ho Ying-ching did not feel strong enough to resist and, accordingly, retired.

Light is thrown on a rather startling incident at the Shanghai-Nanking Railway station last week when a full general was arrested by a handful of privates from the 1st Army. The prisoner is General Lai Hsi-huang, who commands the 14th Army which won signal honours at Lungtan in beating back wave after wave of Sun Chuan-fang's Northern shock troops who had crossed the Yangtze in attempting to secure a foothold.

Challenge to Colleagues. The arrested general is suspected of being in alliance with the clique of Nanking commanders opposed to Chiang Kai-shek and favourable to an alliance with Wu-Han. His seizure by General Ho Ying-ching is construed as a direct challenge to the other Nanking generals.

Another factor which leads one to surmise that Ho Ying-ching has eyes on Shanghai, rather than on Chekiang, is that he has troops at Lung-hwa, a few miles south of Shanghai, with a big arsenal. The arrested general was brought there for detention.

ON THE YANGTZE.

Nationalist Troops at Various Ports.

Wuhu, Yesterday. Some of the 6th Army are reported to have disarmed some of the 27th Army at Ningkwofu, some distance to the south-east of Wuhu.

The 27th, 37th and 44th Armies are reported to be advancing from down-river on Wuhu.—British Naval Wireless.

Wang Ching-wei for Hankow. Kiu-kiang, Yesterday. Chiu Ham-ling is in command at Kiu-kiang.

Mr. Wang Ching-wei returned here on Saturday, visiting Kuling (the summer resort), and proceeded up-river yesterday.

General Chang Fah-hui is reported to be retiring into Fukien province and some of the 9th Army to Kwangtung province.

Further units of the 6th Army are reported to be moving down to Wuhu, through Jauchow.—British Naval Wireless.

Northerners to Fight. Nanking, Yesterday. The Nationalist peace conference is nearly concluded and it is reported officially to be successful.

The Northern Army is reported to be stiffening its resistance with an armoured train in the vicinity of Sanchieh.

The outbreak of cholera is subsiding.—British Naval Wireless.

Two Ships Robbed. Changking, Yesterday. The French flag and the Chinese flag have been robbed by bandits at Kweichow.

GOVERNMENT STAY

Free State Election Result.

MAJORITY OF SIX.

Labour Party Only Captures 13 Seats.

The final state of the parties in the Irish Free State election is:—

Government	61
Republicans	57
Labour	13
Farmers	6
Independents	12
National League	2
Workers League	1

The Government thus have a majority of six.—Reuter.

Cosgrave Confident.

Dublin, Yesterday. Vice-President Cosgrave intends to carry on and does not anticipate the defeat of the Government on any major issue. He thinks the Ministry is safe at least for a year. It is noteworthy that President Cosgrave's probable majority is approximately half-a-dozen.—Reuter.

"EXAGGERATED."

NO TRUTH IN PIRACY RUMOURS.

Like the report of Mark Twain's death, the story in a contemporary this morning about the s.s. "Kochow" being pirated is "grossly exaggerated."

Although the vessel has not yet arrived in Hong Kong from Wuchow, it is definitely established by Naval, Police and Harbour sources that there is no truth in the rumour.

The report originated from Canton and it is believed that it is merely a repetition of the facts of the last piracy.

Escape From Pirates. Fourteen more of the passengers and crew of the s.s. "Kochow" have escaped from the pirates who attacked the ship on the West River some time ago and took away over a hundred men to be held to ransom. About a hundred have now been accounted for.

Chinese officials paid calls on board H.M.S. "Widgeon" yesterday.—British Naval Wireless. [Note: Kweichow is on the upper Yangtze, below Chungking and Wansien but above Ichang, and in Szechuan province.]

ANOTHER VERSION.

Third Batch Disarmed And Seized.

Shanghai, Yesterday. General Ho Ying-ching's quarrel with General Li Lieh-chun (one of the Nanking politicians with considerable influence).

The troops disarmed at Lung-hwa belong to the 31st Army. Later in the afternoon, 2,000 men under Li Ming-yang arrived and these were also disarmed by the 1st Army. The fighting was severe and the result is not yet known.

It transpires that Li Ming-yang was proceeding to Shanghai under orders from General Bei Huang-chi. General Bei will, therefore, have to accept responsibility and it is believed in Shanghai that he will be also embroiled.—"Hong Kong Evening Post."

Fight After Parley. Shanghai, Yesterday. This afternoon a regiment of Ho Ying-ching's troops attempted to disarm 1,500 troops of the 31st Army travelling from Hangchow to Lung-hwa, 7 miles from Lung-hui.

After parleying for two hours, fighting broke out at 4 o'clock. No details are to hand.—Reuter.

SUN FO BLAMED.

Troubles in the Nationalist Party.

Mr. Sun Fo is getting some of the blame for the disappointment of the Wu-Han politicians. While there are many quarrels with their Nanking conferees for appointment in the new government, the general are displaying distrustful attitude.

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CANTON STRIKERS.

Registration Suggested By Police.

SEEKING "BAD CHARACTERS."

Out of Work To Be Housed In Old Fan-tan Saloons.

Registration of "Canton-Hong Kong strikers" remaining in Canton city has been suggested by the Police.

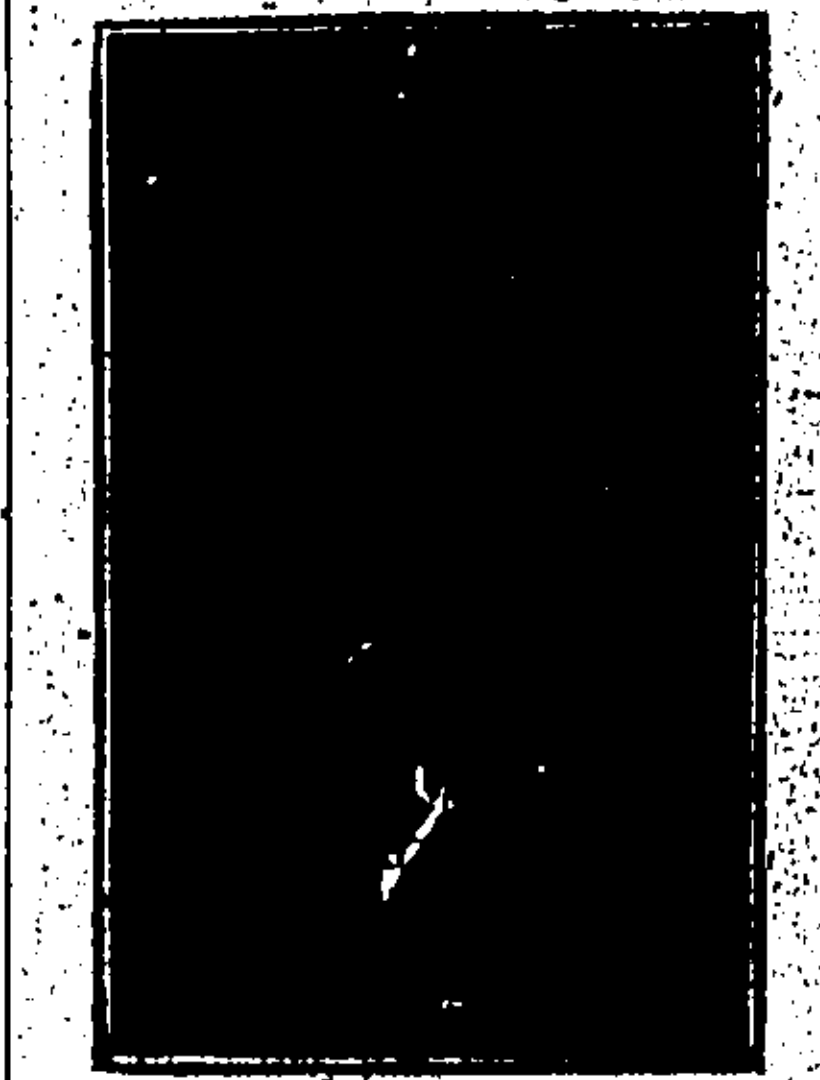
The proposal is revealed in a communication from the Public Safety Bureau (which includes the Police Department) to the four Chambers of Commerce of the city.

The sponsors of the scheme think that a commission should be appointed to take a census of all those who have not gone back to work since the anti-Hong Kong strike of 1925; the commission to comprise representatives from the Canton branch of the Kuomintang Political Council, headquarters of the commander-in-chief, the Provincial Government, the Strike Executive, the Public Safety Bureau and the four Chambers of Commerce.

Reason for Decision. That "bad characters" are finding their way into the strikers' quarters in the city is the reason given for the decision. The Police view is that misunderstanding will arise should raids be made on these quarters and it is not fair to them that a person under suspicion should find sanctuary among the strikers.

As the Whampoa barracks scheme has been shelved, the Canton police suggest that the system of strikers' billets in the city should be reorganised. Such quarters should be close together and a daily register be kept of the inmates. Furtive saloons and opium dens which have been closed by the authorities should be used, in the first instance, for housing the strikers and private property restored to owners as far as possible.

Distinguished Visitor. Mr. Chao-hsin Chu, till recently the Chinese delegate to the



Mr. Chao-hsin Chu, till recently the Chinese delegate to the League of Nations, now visiting Hong Kong.

League of Nations at Geneva, is on a brief visit to Hong Kong from Canton whence he will return. He was appointed vice-Minister for Foreign Affairs by the Nationalist Government and returned from Europe to Canton.

Interviewed yesterday by the "Industrial and Commercial Daily Press" ("Kung Sheung Yat Po"), Mr. Chu expressed views on China's relations with foreign Powers, giving it as his opinion that the present treaties will be substituted, not revised, when China is under one stable government. Next month Mr. Chu proposes to leave Canton for Shanghai where he will stay a while before proceeding to Nanking.

Back to Canton. According to a Kuomintang organ, Mr. Chen Kung-po has returned to Canton from Shanghai. He was the first Nationalist Commissioner for Foreign Affairs at Hankow and subsequently became a leading light in the political field of the Wu-Han faction. The report says that Mr. Chen Kung-po interviewed General Li Chai-sum shortly after his return.

The vanguard of General Chang Fah-hui's forces are reported to have reached Shikwan (on the North River Kwangtung), which is the northern terminus of the Canton-Hankow Railway (Southern Route). It is said that the general has a large force of army marching back to Canton.

The Canton-Hong Kong strikers' registration scheme is being discussed by the Police and the four Chambers of Commerce. The Police view is that misunderstanding will arise should raids be made on these quarters and it is not fair to them that a person under suspicion should find sanctuary among the strikers.

SHOT IN RUSSIA.

General's Daughter As Male Fighter.

MODERN JOAN OF ARC.

Girl's Long and Bitter Opposition To Communism.

The shooting of Lieut. Sacharchentso by the Bolsheviks has brought to light a remarkable romance of the war.

The dashing young Tsarist officer was none other than Miss Elizabeth Ivanowna Schultz, the daughter of a Russian General.

When war broke out Elizabeth was 20 years old, and became a Red Cross nurse. One day she disappeared. Towards the end of the war a young lieutenant of Hussars was seriously wounded in the breast. In the hospital the surgeons discovered to their amazement that the "lieutenant" was a girl. After the bullet had been taken from her chest the young Joan of Arc admitted her identity.

"Don't Betray Me." "Yes, I am Elizabeth Ivanowna Schultz," she said. "My father, the general, refused to let me fight with the rest of the boys, so I took the papers of a peasant, and enlisted under his name. No one knew my secret. I lived and fought with the men through 50 battles. Yes, and I won my lieutenantcy in the front ranks. Please don't betray me."

The surgeons promised to guard her secret. Soon the war was ended, but Elizabeth refused to lay down her sword. Anti-Bolshevik to the heart, she fought in the White Guard of General Wrangel in the Crimea, and then with the last heroes under Ustern-Sternberg in Central Asia. Then came her flight through Communist Russia towards Poland and thence to Paris.

In the French capital Elizabeth might have found a calm retreat. Someone offered her a position in the movies; an American packing-house millionaire even offered her a nice home near the Chicago stockyards; but the little Joan of Arc was looking for something more exciting.

Disappeared Again. Again she disappeared from view. For years no one saw her, either in London or Paris or Vienna or Berlin, but in all of these capitals, occasionally the name of Sacharchentso was murmured by mysterious men.

And always that name was connected with a small uprising against Communism or the killing of a Soviet Commissar by some infuriated peasants at Moscow or Leningrad. But not one refugee, not one friend wherever she was known, ever uttered the name of Elizabeth Ivanowna.

Recently, for the first time in years, that name was whispered again in Paris. One of her companions, arriving from Russia, brought the news: "Lieutenant Sacharchentso has been shot."

CLOUDY WEATHER.

"East winds, fresh to moderate; cloudy," is the official weather forecast until noon tomorrow.

The anticyclone is now central over North Korea. The typhoon is shown as a depression to the north-west of Tournay.

The following telegram was received from the Manila Observatory at 9.15 a.m. September 21: Typhoon in about 110° deg. Long. E. and 17° deg. Lat. N. moving West.

is nominally a subordinate of General Li Chai-sum.

The Big Loan. Less has been heard to-day about the "Red" rising in the hinterland and vicinity of Blas Bay. The ferry between Hong Kong and Swatow (Swatow) is still not running.

Collection in Canton city of the Government is not being made smoothly. Some of the merchants are still hedging and the authorities now announce that if payment of full quarter is not made by the 1st October, the Government will take action.

CONFUCIUS DAY

Hong Kong Observances To-morrow.

CHINESE TO TAKE DAY OFF.

Memory Of Sage Who Was Born In 551 B.C.

Recent years have seen a marked tendency towards observing Confucius Day, which falls on the 27th day of the 8th moon (to-morrow), as a general holiday. It seems as if the time is not far distant when the anniversary of the birth of China's most famous sage—although not ranking as one of the four big festivals—will take second place to New Year's Day in the round of Chinese festivities in Hong Kong.

It is estimated that more than half the shops in the colony will be closed to-morrow.

The local Confucian Societies will hold meetings with speeches from the society's officials, and the customary dramatic show. Nearly all the schools attended by Chinese students will have a day off and some of the schools have arranged their own celebration.

SHORT BIOGRAPHY.

Sage as Official & Student of History.

Confucius is the Latinized form of Kung Fu Tzu, meaning the "philosopher Kung."

China's greatest sage was born in Shantung province, in North China, in 551 B.C., the son of a military official and a concubine.

In the earlier part of his life Confucius occupied official positions but history took up a great deal of his time. His "Spring and Autumn Annals" was written to show the necessity of a strong central government, China then being divided into a number of states.

When Confucius died in 479 B.C., he had 3,000 disciples, 76 of whom became his life-long adherents.

Unlimited Honours.

Short of absolute deification, Confucius and both his ancestors and descendants have been honoured in every conceivable way. He himself is the Most Perfect Sage and in 1238 A.D., the direct male representative of the family was given the title of Widely Holy Duke.

Every city in China has a Confucian temple and the sage's name is respected all over the civilised world. Shortly after the Revolution in 1911 which made China a republic, the annual ceremonies to perpetuate his memory were discontinued and the study of his classical works discouraged in the schools. The stoppage was only short-lived but the recent "Red" teachings all over China have aimed to bring discredit on Confucius.

Religion and Philosophy.

Confucianism is that body of teachings culled by Confucius from the more ancient sages of China, which was commended and enforced by his teaching and example, and subsequently handed down by his immediate disciples to have been, ever since, the orthodoxy of the Chinese race. It is spoken of both as a religion and a philosophy.

In the Western sense of the word, religion is hardly correct as Confucianism discourages all belief in a Personal God, does not use prayer except to "inform" the spirits of important events, and leaves personal immortality out of its scheme.

Ethics and Government.

Whatever may have been Confucius's view of the meaning of his teachings, he is very insistent on the importance of sacrificial rites to the spirits of the dead.

For millions of people, Confucianism has been a substitute for religion.

That Confucius did not have a system of philosophy at heart is generally accepted. He was interested in one philosophical subject only, ethics, and chiefly with ethics as applied to the art of government.

In the course of time, his cult has changed considerably but it has never departed from this central idea. China in Confucius's Day. The central government of China in Confucius's Day was a small state, and his teachings were still more or less

POLICE BRIBES.

Taking Money From "Hawkers."

C.S.P. IN RAID.

Interested Street Sellers Crowd Magistracy.

In connection with the police raid made at No. 3 Station Street (reported yesterday) in the course of which a Chinese constable jumped from a third floor window and was badly injured, having to go to the Government Civil Hospital for treatment, Mr. T. H. King, Director of Criminal Investigation, this morning issued a statement to the Press.

The statement was to the effect that in previous years the police had had occasion to deal with certain Chinese constables employed to deal with the hawkers of the Colony, in connection with the receiving of bribes. Some weeks ago it became known that certain constables were again committing the offence of receiving money from hawkers and dividing it amongst the members of the circle.

Six Present.

Following investigation, the Hon. Captain Superintendent of Police, accompanied by a party of detectives raided the third floor of No. 3 Station Street between 7 and 8 a.m., on Monday last. In one room which was occupied by a Chinese constable and his wife, the raiders discovered five other Chinese constables. As the raiders entered the premises, the constable who was the tenant of the room in which the men were found immediately jumped out of the window in an attempt to escape arrest.

He was seriously injured by his fall and had to be removed to the Government Civil Hospital. The other five constables were taken into custody and removed to the Central Police Station where, when they were searched, they were found to be in the joint possession of over \$100.

Crowded Court.

In view of the raid and the arrests large crowds of interested hawkers crowded both Courts at the Central Magistracy both yesterday afternoon and this morning in the hope of seeing the constables charged. Mr. Lindsell's Court was so crowded this morning that his Worship had to inquire from police officers if the constables were to be charged that morning.

Detective Sergeant Baker having replied in the negative, the Magistrate asked the interpreter to inform the spectators in Court. This was done, but the Court was only partly emptied and most of those who left lingered outside and gradually trickled back into the Court. Even a second assurance by the Magistrate that the case was not being heard that morning was of no avail, and the crowd remained until the Court rose at 1 p.m.

Long Service Men.

It is understood that the constables would be formally charged in Court to-morrow morning, and that Messrs. Hall and Hind are the solicitors for the defence.

The constables concerned, who are all Cantonese plain clothes men attached to the Hawks' Department at Central Station, are men of fairly long service in the Police Force and hold responsible positions under Sergeant Dickson, who is in charge of the department.

petual strife. His remedy for such ills was education, not a universal education, but that of picked men, and even these were to be educated in the first place as officials.

Confucianism, as it is understood to-day, is a noble and self-consistent body of ethical doctrine based on certain principles. It has been compared with Stoicism and its limitations are obvious. No divination is practised in Confucian temples, idolatry is discountenanced, instances of cannibalism in the greatest natural disaster. The cult has held together the Chinese social fabric for centuries and his teachings are still more or less

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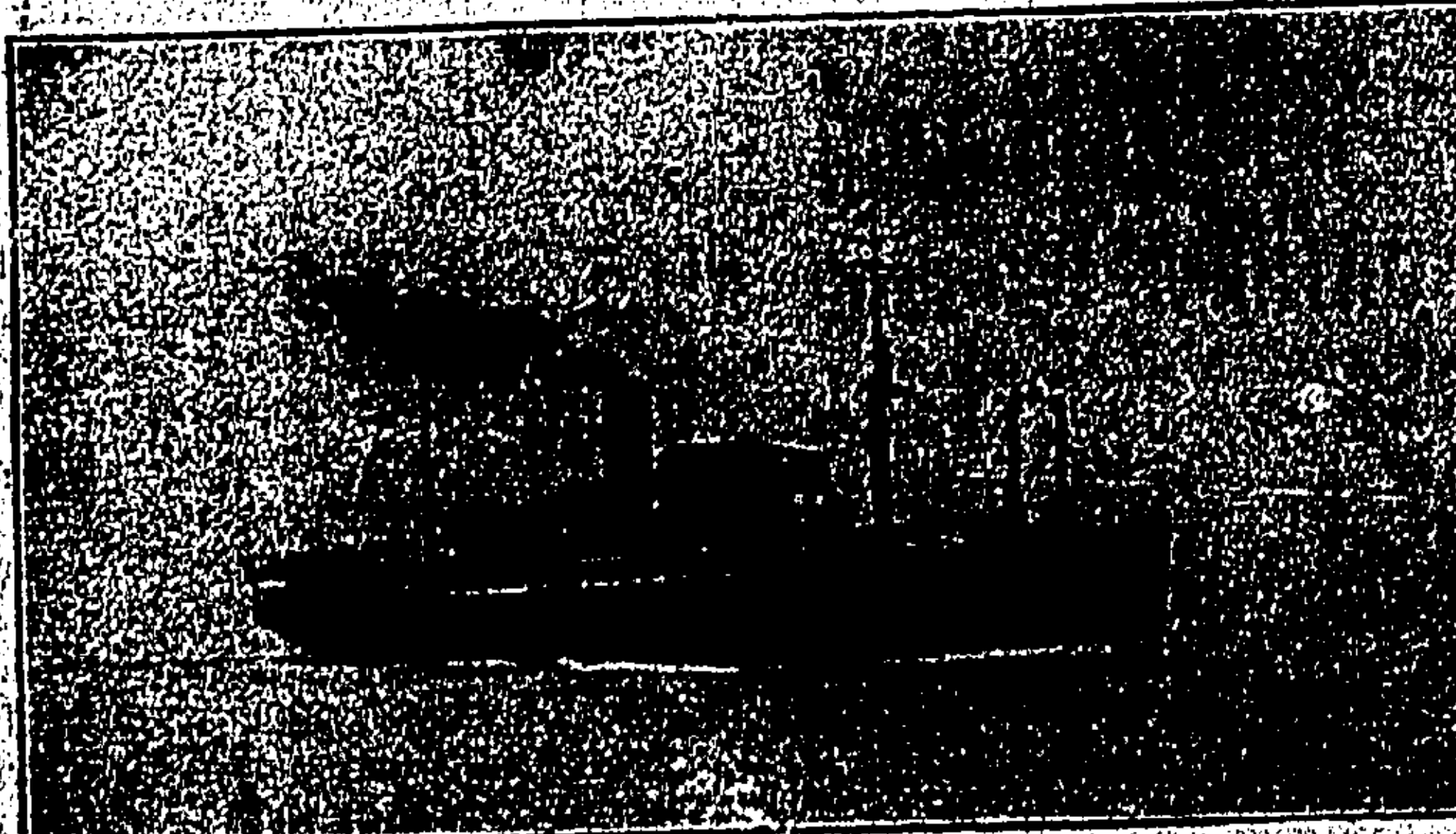
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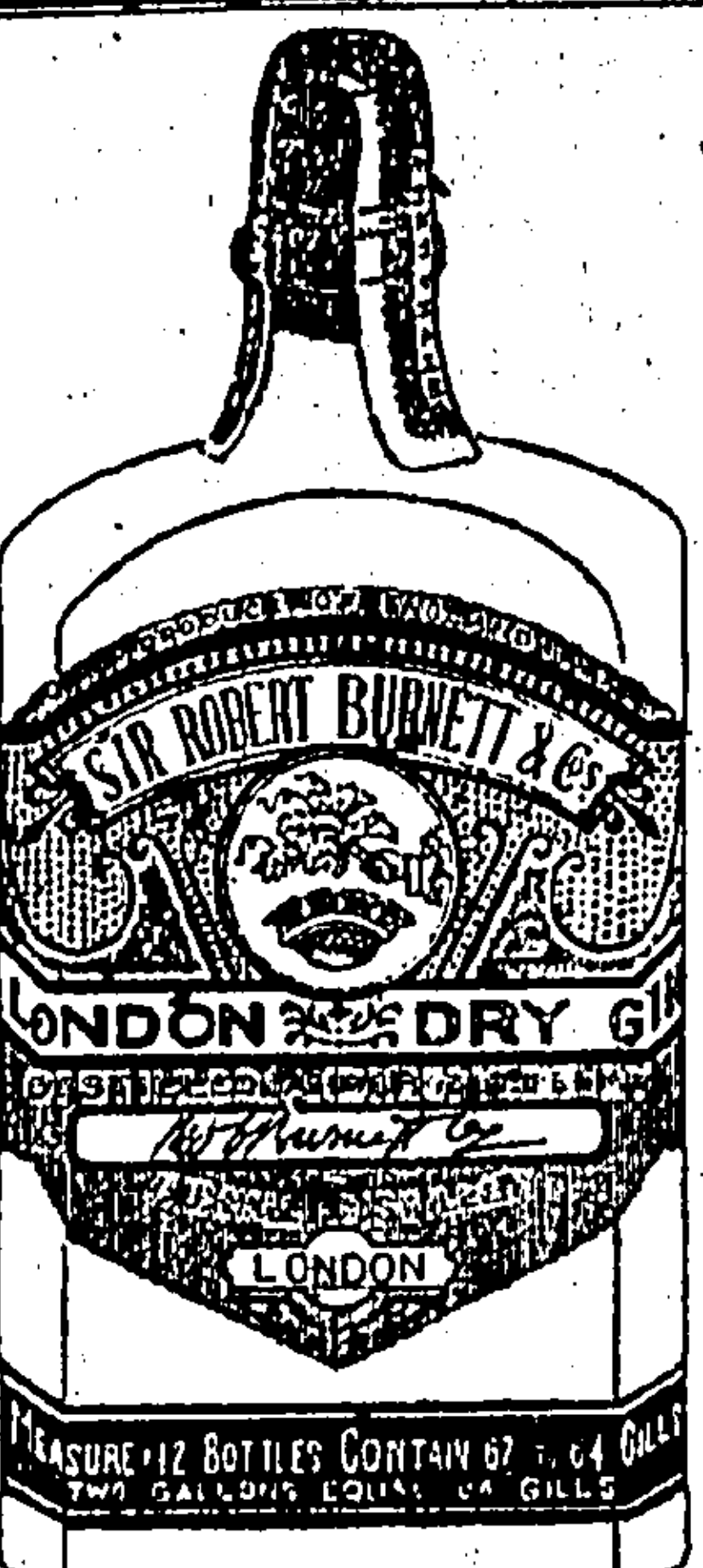
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Mrs. O. Yauheung and Family thank all relatives and friends for their messages of sympathy together with the floral tributes and memorial scrolls, and for their organization of, and presence at the memorial meetings held in Chark Kwan Free School and the Hong Kong University Union.

Hong Kong, Wednesday, Sept. 21, 1927.

INFANT MORTALITY.

Knowing the conditions under which the great majority of Chinese live it is not surprising to learn from the annual report of the Medical Officer of Health that out of 12,516 deaths last year no fewer than 3,424 were infants under one year. Of these only 15 were non-Chinese. That gives a ratio of 27.5 per cent. of Chinese deaths, which is a slight reduction on 1925 when the ratio was 31.7. The report in question throws an interesting light on the causes of death of infants. Thus, respiratory diseases alone accounted for 1,921; tuberculosis, all types, 219 (the number of deaths between one to five years was 339); tetanus, and convulsions, 129; malaria, 62; syphilis, 183; diseases of the thyroid body, 641; acute pneumonia 599; and broncho-pneumonia 1,115.

These figures are ominous indeed. They reveal an appalling state of ignorance and neglect amongst the mothers of Chinese infants, and of sheer criminality on the part of parents in the 183 cases of syphilis. Chinese medical practitioners who have received a Western training in their profession are undoubtedly fighting an uphill battle, but their efforts should receive an impetus when more Chinese nurses are en-

rolled in the various Chinese hospitals. There is also good work being done by the infants welfare clinic at the Chinese Y.M.C.A., where Chinese mothers are encouraged to bring their babies and receive hints on the duties of motherhood. It is not alone ignorance and neglect that have to be contended with: there is the even more prevalent superstition amongst Chinese mothers which acts as a rigid barrier to the favourable reception of Western ideals of motherhood and the care of infants.

The report of the Medical Officer does not disclose how many of the 3,424 deaths of infants under one year of age were preventable, but when we glance at the nature of the diseases that carried them away, we can only conclude that the number must have been formidable. And to ignorance, neglect, and superstition we have to add apathy on the part of both expectant and actual Chinese mothers. A doctor, a nurse, or a member of the clinic at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. may preach and instruct day by day, but if the mothers are apathetic and indifferent, and do not appreciate the value of the knowledge imparted to them, it may well be asked how much progress can be made in reducing infant mortality? This is a subject that ought to be of more than academic interest to the leaders of the Chinese community in the Colony. There is no greater field for enterprise amongst those Chinese imbued with a sense of civic duty.

Instead of one infant welfare clinic at the Chinese Y.M.C.A. there ought to be at least a dozen such health centres for Chinese mothers both on the Island and in Kowloon. Unless something more is being done than at present, it is to be feared that the appalling infant mortality will continue to be a blot on the Colony as a whole.

The Irish Elections.

Reuter, in announcing the final results of the Irish Free State general election, adds the information that the Government has a majority of six. This may not be so, for in politics as in everything else, the Irish are delightfully Irish. President Cosgrave's Ministerialists, with their 66 seats, may be reasonably assured of the support of the Farmers, with their six seats, but of who else? Looking on the other side of the picture, we have de Valera's Fianna Fail with its 87 seats, which must be counted Labour with its 13 seats, giving a certain opposition of 70. The Independents, therefore, comprise the party

which may turn the political tide in whatever direction it wills. There are indications, of course, that it will throw its lot with the Government, and thus assure President Cosgrave of a working majority, but there is little certainty in the matter. Upon the occasion of the memorable division in the Dail just over a month ago, when the now famous Mr. Jinks absented himself, the Independents, it may be remembered, sided with the Ministerialists, whilst Labour and the National League voted with de Valera. If Mr. Johnson, the Labour leader, and Capt. Redmond, the League, keep their forces loyal to the Fianna Fail (or rather, maintain their opposition to President Cosgrave) the de Valera coalition may, before long, find itself in a position to defeat the Government, and then will eventuate another general election, the outcome of which would no doubt leave the parties as they are now, except that Labour might lose further seats. It seems a position of check mate.

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In connection with the recent inquest on a Chinese who died as the result of taking an overdose of a sleeping draft containing a solution of chloral hydrate, and sold by the Chinese Branch of Messrs. A. S. Watson and Company at No. 67 Des Voeux Road Central, the Company was this morning summoned before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy. The charge was that they "did sell by retail a poisonous liquid the bottle in which the said liquid was contained not being distinctly labelled in English and Chinese with the word 'Poison'."

Mr. T. S. Whyte-Smith, Assistant Crown Solicitor, appeared for the prosecution, while Messrs. Watson's were represented by Mr. H. C. Macnamara.

Mr. Macnamara admitted the offence and attributed the offence to an oversight. In pleading for leniency, Counsel pointed out that this was the first case of this nature in which the Company had been involved during the whole of the long period they had been doing business here. Major Willson imposed a fine of \$100.

BOY TO BE CANED.

At the Central Magistracy before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning, a Chinese youth was charged with picking the pocket of another Chinese in Des Voeux Road Central yesterday, and stealing \$1. He admitted the offence. According to the police the accused was whipped for a similar offence in June this year. Asked why he continued to steal, the accused said that he had no one in Hong Kong to depend on and stole because he had no money to buy food. He had come here from the country in the hope of finding employment, but had failed to find anything to do. He would like very much to go back to the country but did not have money to pay his fare. Mr. Lindsell ordered the lad to receive 12 strokes of the cane, and instructed the police to make arrangements for the boy's return to the country, afterwards.

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SHIP'S CAPTAIN FINED.

Before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy this morning, Mr. C. A. S. Russ defended a Chinese named Leung Hong-chi of the Ling Sing firm who was charged by the Import and Export Office with removing dutiable liquor from the s.s. "Sai On" without a permit. Captain Campbell of the "Sai On," who was represented by Mr. F. E. Nash, was charged with a similar offence in that he allowed the liquor to be removed from the ship without a permit.

Evidence was to the effect that the "Sai On" arrived in port on September 7 with six cases of dutiable samshu on board. The liquor was declared on the ship's manifest. Duty was duly paid on four cases by a firm and the liquor was removed ashore. The other two cases were taken ashore by the defendant firm without paying duty and without having a permit for their removal from the ship. According to the Superintendent of Imports and Exports, the case against Captain Campbell of the "Sai On" was that he should not have allowed the liquor to be taken delivery of without a permit. However, as the Captain was a new man, the Import and Export Office would be satisfied if he were discharged with a warning.

The Magistrate however decided to impose the nominal fine of \$5.

A MISUNDERSTANDING.

With regard to the defendant firm, it was stated that the ship carried six cases of liquor, and as four cases were known to have been removed, it was clear that two other cases had to be still on board. When these were found not on board, the defendant firm was traced by the manifest and a summons taken out against them.

The firm were the licensees of a large distillery, and it could not be said that they were ignorant of the regulation that liquor could not be imported without a permit.

Mr. Russ said that there was no attempt to evade paying duty on the liquor. It was taken ashore through a misunderstanding on the part of a clerk of the firm. As soon as the firm were communicated with, the defendant Leung Hong-chi went to the Import and Export Office and offered to pay the duty, but it was too late to pay duty on that day, and before the defendants had a chance to pay the money the following day, they were summoned. The Magistrate imposed a fine of \$50 and ordered the confiscation of the liquor.

THE SOUTH SEAS.

STRIKING FILM AT THE QUEEN'S THEATRE.

"Moana," a picture of life in the South Seas, will attract the many to whom this delightful clime is but a name, and a romantic one at that. Shown at the Queen's Theatre yesterday to capacity houses, it gives a vivid and truthful interpretation of life as lived by the inhabitants. The producer, Mr. Robert Flaherty, did his job well, which was to turn out a plain picture of conditions as they exist in the Pacific Isles. The simple lives of the islanders, their spear fishing, primitive cookery, crude hunting and tribal observances fill the eye of those unacquainted with the place with wonder. The picture is well edited and the incidents have a sequence which must have been difficult to obtain in a film of this nature.

The programme includes an "Our Gang" comedy and an interesting newsreel.

TRAGEDY AT SEA.

PASSENGER JUMPS OVER RAIL.

Gibraltar, Aug. 30.

Mr. John Stewart, a first-class passenger on the P. and O. liner "Narkunda," jumped overboard last evening.

The Fourth Engineer jumped overboard in an attempt to rescue him, but both were drowned.

Mr. Stewart, who was proceeding to Fremantle, was accompanied by his wife and two children.

According to Mrs. Stewart, deceased had been suffering from insomnia and neurasthenia.

At the inquest, a verdict was returned that Stewart had committed suicide while temporarily insane.

The tragedy occurred off Cape St. Vincent, in very foggy weather.

In our last issue we quoted the "Singapore Free Press" as reporting the arrival in the Straits of Mr. Lou Ben-cheong, the manager, and Messrs. Lou Leichon and Lee Tin-ten, of the Oriental Banking Corporation, Hong Kong. These three gentlemen are representatives of the Lushan Banking Corporation. Presumably the error in name was occasioned by our Singapore contemporary's article having been translated from a Chinese newspaper.

P'RAPS-P'RAPS NOT!

Chinese merchants have no liking for likin.

Sandy: Did yer ken Jock was invited to McNab's tea last Saturday?

Gregor: Was he? And what did he tak'?

Sandy: He didna ken what to tak', so he took a moth-bail.

Foreman: Now then, hurry up with that hod.

Labourer: All right, boss. Rome wasn't built in a day, you know.

Foreman: Perhaps not, but I wasn't foreman of that job.

Rachel: You're not very tall.

Abie: I'm tall enough for my job.

Rachel: What do you mean?

Abie: My boss told me to-day he didn't want me any longer.

"Molly," said her mother, "do stop crying!"

"Well, mother, my shoes are pinching me."

"You must have them on the wrong feet."

"I have only the two feet," replied Molly.

"May I read you my last poem?"

"Certainly, if it really is."

A kind-hearted man, hearing a dog howling mournfully, decided to investigate the animal's ailment. He found the dog sitting calmly upon its haunches, but still emitting agonised yelps.

"What ails your dog?" he asked the owner.

"Oh, he's just lazy."

"But laziness won't make a dog howl!"

"Yes, but that dog is sitting on a thistle."

Owner of Alsatian: Isn't he splendid? Full of spirits but as gentle as a lamb.

Friend: I suppose he's won a lot of prizes?

Owner: Unfortunately, no; he always bites the judge.

"Everybody knows about it. Some take her part and some take her husband's part."

"And I suppose there are a few eccentric individuals who mind their own business."

Old Lady (to shop assistant): How much are those chair seats?

"One and sixpence, ma'am, including tacks."

"Goodness me, whatever will they be taxing next?"

The solicitor, whose office happened to be on the fifth floor, was expecting a client from the country.

Suddenly the door opened and a man staggered in, puffing violently.

"What a climb up those stairs!" he gasped.

"Why didn't you take the lift?" asked the solicitor, rather amused at the other's discomfiture.

"I meant to," explained the man from the country, "but I just missed the thing."

"Did you behave in church?" asked an interested relative, when Junior returned from service.

"Course I did," replied Junior.

"I heard a lady back of us say she never saw a child behave so."

"I suppose you'll want the day off to-morrow to go to the funeral?" the foreman of a city firm asked a junior packer the other day, when the latter told him, at knocking-off time, that he had just received word of his father's death.

"Yes," said the younger employee.

After the youth had gone, another employee told the foreman of a coincidence.

"I used to live next door to young So-and-so's father," he said. "Knew him as well as I know you. And I was with Bill when he got the cable."

"Cable? Where did his father die?"

"Didn't he tell you? In Manchester."

DANGER TO SHANGHAI

(Continued from Page 1.)

General Tang Seng-chi and his colleagues may throw over both the Wu-Han government and the Nanking conference and the Nanking generals cannot see eye to eye.

Canton Criticized.

Then General Li Chai-sum of Canton has come in for criticism. In a circular telegram last week, he gave the appearance of supporting Chiang Kai-shek, an attitude which incurred the immediate displeasure of all the Nationalist generals (i.e., both those of Wu-Han and of Nanking) excepting Ho Ying-ching.

The "Kung Sheng Yat Po" reports that officials of the Wu-Han political bureau are returning to Hankow with grievances against Nanking.

OTHER ZONES.

Possible Bearing on Shanghai Situation.

There is also a certain amount of news from other disturbed areas which may or may not have a bearing on the Shanghai situation.

General Chin Yun-ao, who rebelled against the "Christian general" in Honan province, is stated to be retreating eastwards into the north of Anhui province. The Fengtien allies at Peking express doubt as to the wisdom of launching an offensive against the "Christian general."

The "Red" army which has invaded Fukien province from the interior is still at Tingchow and Shanghai where they can hardly be dangerous till they advance towards the coast.

What Foochow Wants.

Foochow, the capital of Fukien province, has just had a demonstration the objects of which were to:—recall Chiang Kai-shek, support of Mr. Hu Man-min (who resigned with Chiang Kai-shek), oppose Communism, depose Mr. Wang Ching-wei (leader of the Wu-Han faction). Even the rich coolies and motor drivers, says the report, had a half holiday to join the procession.

In the south-east of Hupeh province, the troops of General Tang Seng-chi have cleared off the "Red" raiders from the railway between Wuchang and Changsha. The line is clear at Sienning and Yanglowing.

The "Hong Kong Evening Post" predicts that the "Christian general" will launch an attack on Hsuehchowfu (in Kiangsu province), the junction of the Tientsin-Pukow and Lung-Hai Railways.

Tang and the Kuomintang.

Shanghai, Yesterday. A Japanese semi-official message from Hankow states that inasmuch as the Wuhan Government has gone to Nanking the Japanese authorities at Hankow will recognise Tang Seng-chi as the de facto authority in Wuhan. This bears out the information from other sources that the new Nationalist Government's attempts to retain Tang Seng-chi's allegiance have failed and lends colour to the report that the Kuomintang will shortly be issuing a manifesto excommunicating Tang Seng-chi.—Reuter.

DUTCH PARLIAMENT.

QUEEN WILHELMINA AT OPENING.

The Hague, Yesterday. Princess Juliana, for the first time, accompanied Queen Wilhelmina when she opened the new session of Parliament.

Her Majesty, in her speech from the Throne, expressed gratitude in the people's participation in the celebrations connected with Princess Juliana's entry into public life. The general situation of the country with regard to commerce and industry was satisfactory, though the financial position was less so. With reference to the recent troubles in Java and Sumatra the Queen stated that measures had been taken to protect the population against similar future threats to their prosperity and security.

A bill for the reduction of the Income Tax was announced. Belco-Dutch Questions.

Queen Wilhelmina said that the whole scope of outstanding Belco-Dutch questions would form the subject of fresh investigation in Holland and that additional legislation would be introduced with a view to facilitating a conclusion regarding commercial treaties, etc. There were still great difficulties to be overcome, especially with regard to artificial barriers to international trade.—Reuter.

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U.S. AIR TRAGEDY.

PILOT AND PASSENGER KILLED.

SPOKANE RACES.

New York, Yesterday. Swift disaster overtook the first of 15 aeroplanes which started from Roosevelt Field this morning for Spokane. Richard Hudson, of Marysville, Michigan, and his passenger were killed, the plane crashing in the woods near Long Valley, New Jersey.

To-day's race is for machines of a faster type than yesterday's, carrying heavier loads and equipped with engines up to 200 horse power. According to schedule they fly the 2,800 miles to Spokane with five stops for fuel and one overnight halt at St. Paul.

Chicago Reached.

New York, Yesterday. Twelve out of the 25 aeroplanes which started from Roosevelt Field for Spokane reached Chicago. One returned to New York and only one has not been heard of since it took off. It was possibly forced to descend in the Alleghany Mountains. Fifteen commercial aeroplanes started the second race this morning.—Reuter's American Service.

TRADES DISPUTES.

GOVT. READY TO DEFEND ACT.

London, Yesterday. Addressing a Conservative meeting at Dunrobin Castle in Scotland, the Home Secretary declared that when the time came for the Government to go to the country, one of the things upon which they would be prepared to go would be the Trades Disputes Act.

Referring to the severing of relations with Russia, Sir William Joynson Hicks said the Government had been determined to show that they would remain masters in their own household. When the Government turned out the Russians, there was a terrible outcry by the Labour Party against them. But now the Trade Union Congress had followed the example of the Government and had decided that they could not stand the Russians any longer and would have nothing more to do with them.—British Wireless Service.

AMERICAN LEGION.

COMMUNISTS' ATTEMPTS FRUSTRATED.

Paris, Yesterday. A procession of Communists carrying red flags draped with crepe in memory of Sacco and Vanzetti did their utmost to introduce discord into the patriotic demonstrations at Versailles, Havre and elsewhere, particularly at Clichy, where the demonstrators tore down the Franco-American flags. In a conflict with the police four were arrested, but attempts at disturbance were short-lived in face of the nationwide celebration. Despite heavy rain, the Place de la Concorde and the Champs Elysees were black with people. There was indescribable confusion and taxis, pedestrians and umbrellas helped to constitute a record traffic jam.—Reuter.

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.

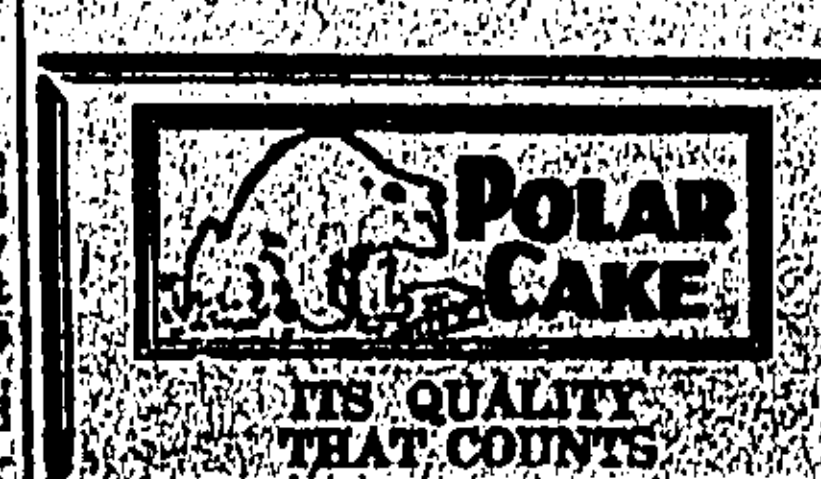
ILLEGAL DRUG CONTROL.

Geneva, Yesterday. In the Assembly Lord Lytton, speaking on the traffic in opium, warmly appealed for the ratification of the Geneva Convention and emphasised the enormous traffic in illicit drugs with which Europe, America and the Far East were being deluged. No single nation could cope with the evil, but a combination of nations could. These drugs were manufactured in no more than 30 factories. He suggested a more efficacious control of output, and if the signatories to the Geneva Convention of 1925 strictly carried out their obligations the evil would surely be wiped out.—Reuter.

LEVINE COMES BACK.

HOPES TO START FOR INDIA TO-DAY.

London, Yesterday. Levine flew back to London in an air liner from Paris and stated he hopes to hop off for India on the 21st instant.—Reuter.



BURIED TOBACCO.

ATTEMPT TO SMUGGLE INTO JAIL.

CHINESE CAUGHT.

The Chinese who was last week remanded by Mr. W. Schofield at the Kowloon Magistracy on charges of trespassing into the grounds of the Laichikok Prison, and attempting to smuggle tobacco to a prisoner, was again before the Court yesterday.

The accused was stated to have taken advantage of his knowledge of jail routine, gained through his having been an inmate of the place, to smuggle the tobacco to a friend. The tobacco was concealed by the accused in the prison grounds ready to be taken up by his friend when the prisoners came out to perform their daily duties. He was arrested by a European warder.

Mr. J. M. Remedios, who appeared for the defence, admitted the charge of trespass, and reserved his plea on the more serious count until he had heard statements made by the accused to the Superintendent of Prisons.

Accused's Statement. Mr. J. W. Franks read a statement made to him by the accused after his arrest. In this the accused stated that he had been promised by an Indian warder to have the tobacco smuggled to his friend if he introduced the warder to a certain girl.

After consultation with his client, Mr. Remedios announced that he had been instructed to plead "guilty" to the smuggling charge also. Counsel said that he had also been instructed to state that part of the accused's statement, as read out by Mr. Franks, was incorrect. The accused now admitted that he had falsely accused the Indian warder, who actually had nothing whatever to do with the matter. The accused was prepared to go into the witness box and state on oath that the Indian warder was in no way implicated.

Mr. Franks said that there would be no proceedings against the Indian, so he did not think it was necessary to waste time taking the accused's evidence.

Found in Village.

A formal statement of facts was made by Sub-Inspector McWalter to the effect that shortly after 7 a.m., on September 12, an Indian warder on duty inside the prison, at a spot overlooking the garden, saw the accused bury something. He communicated with the Chief European Warder. Investigation was made and a parcel of tobacco was unearthed. The accused was then searched for and arrested in Laichikok village.

On the charge of trespass, accused was fined \$5 or, in default, seven days' jail, while on the smuggling charge his Worship imposed a fine of \$50 or four weeks' hard labour.

WINTER CONCERTS.

HELENA MAY INSTITUTE PROGRAMME.

The social committee of the Helena May Institute has arranged a series of eleven concerts for the winter season, each concert beginning at 5.30 p.m., as follows:

October 13.—Gilbert and Sullivan. October 27.—18th Century Music. November 10.—Folk Music. November 24.—Romanticist Music. December 15.—"Alice in Wonderland", music and short play. January 12, 1928.—Music from Shakespeare. January 26, 1928.—French Modern Music. February 9, 1928.—Music of Childhood. February 23, 1928.—Modern Music. March 8, 1928.—Chopin. March 22, 1928.—Miscellaneous Programme.

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CONSTABLE CHARGED.

Cho Ying, Chinese constable (161), was this morning charged before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy with misconduct as a constable, being an associate of thieves, and sharing in the proceeds of a series of larcenies and pocket-picking offences. On the application of Detective Sergeant Baker, the accused was remanded until Monday next.

BAD GRANITE.

CHINESE CONTRACTOR FIRM FINED.

PLEA OF GUILTY.

Mr. Leo d'Almada appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning to defend the Wing Cheong Loong firm of contractors who were summoned by the Building Authority for using decomposed granite in connection with the construction of a building in Western Street, West Point.

Counsel pleaded "guilty" to a technical offence, and asked the Magistrate's permission to read certain correspondence which had passed between the architects and the Building Authority. A letter from the Building Authority was read to the effect that an inspection was made of Inland Lot No. 694, Section "C," Western Street, and it showed that decomposed granite had been used in connection with the building. The architect was asked by the Building Authority to supply the name of the contractors concerned. The architect's reply was that the matter had been put right immediately after the letter from the Building Authority had been received.

Leniency Plea.

In view of this, Mr. d'Almada asked that the defendants be dealt with leniently, especially as the sub-contractor was in fact the guilty party and had used the decomposed granite without the knowledge of the defendants.

A representative of the Building Authority told the Magistrate that twenty-five per cent. of the granite used in the building was decomposed.

Remarking that if the defendants were not caught they would probably have gone on and finished the building, Mr. Lindsell imposed a fine of \$100. An order was made for the demolition of the building within seven days to the satisfaction of the Building Authority.

ORDERS FOR GERMANY.

BRITISH MACHINERY PURCHASES.

Berlin, Yesterday. It is estimated that \$20,000,000 will be expended by Britain in ten years for the purchase of textile machinery under a scheme of financing whereby the purchasers deposit 20 per cent. of the purchase price and pay off the remainder in instalments over several years. Germany imported British textile machinery valued at \$23,000 in the first six months of 1927.—Reuter.

WARSAW POLITICS.

INTERNAL TROUBLE IMMINENT.

Warsaw, Yesterday. The storm brewing between the Government and parliament was reflected in an uproarious sitting of an extraordinary session of the diet, which resolved on the relaxation of press restrictions and the lodging of an interpellation regarding Zagorski, while other interpellations were mooted, including one expressing non-confidence in the cabinet. The latter stole a march on the legislature to-day by abruptly announcing the adjournment of parliament in a month.—Reuter.

MARINES v. BANDITS.

FATAL NICARAGUAN BRUSH.

Managua, Yesterday. Twenty alleged Liberal bandits were killed and 50 wounded in a fight between a detachment of 20 United States Marines and a force of over 100 bandits. Two American marines and one member of the constabulary were killed.—Reuter's American Service.

STILL OVER MILLION.

UNEMPLOYMENT IN BRITAIN.

London, Yesterday. With the end of the summer holidays unemployment, which had recently been on the up grade, now shows a considerable decrease. The latest return re-crepe in memory of Sacco and coys 1,052,600 workers which is 22,020 less than the week previous.—British Wireless Service.

HAPPY HOLLAND.

REDUCTION IN INCOME TAX.

The Hague, Yesterday. A 20 per cent. reduction in income tax with possibly a new tax on superfluous expenditure was projected by the Finance Minister in introducing the Budget, in which revenue is estimated at \$88,000,000, a surplus of \$3,000,000, and a deficit of \$3,000,000.—Reuter.

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."

Entertainments.

September 21—Queen's Theatre; "Moana."

September 21—World Theatre; "Time the Comedian."

September 21—Star Theatre, Kowloon; "The Monster."

September 21—Theatre Royal; Forbes Russell Comedy Co. presents "Nothing But the Truth," 9.15 p.m.

September 21—Oriental Strolling Players and Northamptonshire Regiment Band, at Lee Theatre, 9.30 p.m.

September 21-22—At Repulse Bay Hotel, Whitey Smith, the American Ambassador of Music to the Orient and his famous Majestic Music Masters.

September 21—Sing Song at the "Better Ole," 7 p.m.

September 22—Informal dance at the "Cheer O," 7 p.m.

September 23-24—Whitey Smith and his Majestic Music Masters, at the Hong Kong Hotel, Roof Garden.

September 23—Concerts at the "Cheer O," 7 p.m. and the "Better Ole," 7 p.m.

September 25—Concert at the Rope Factory (arranged by Mrs. Younghouseband), 8 p.m.

September 26—Forbes Russell Comedy Co., opens brief season at the Star Theatre, Kowloon, starting with "Bluebeard's Eighth Wife," 9.15 p.m.

October 1—H.K. & W.G. & M.C.L.'s "Fun of the Fair," Lee Gardens, from 3.30 p.m. to midnight.

October 13—First of a series of eleven concerts for the winter season, Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m., starting with "Gilbert and Sullivan."

October 21—Nelson Day. Navy League hold Annual Concert (through courtesy of H.K. Amusements, Ltd., Queen's Theatre), 9.30 p.m.

Sports.

September 21—Ping Pong League: Hop Wing Club v. C.C.Y.M.S. (St. Peter's Club).

September 21—Whist drive at the "Cheer O," 7.15 p.m.

September 22—Third annual military swimming gala (South China Command) in the R.A.S.C. Camber, from 3.30 p.m.

September 22—Ping Pong League: W.Y.O.B.U. v. C.R.C. (C.C.Y.M.S.).

September 22—Steele & Coulson's Billiard League: Northants v. R.A.; K.O.S.B. v. Queen's; R.E. & R. Sigs v. D.R.C.; Revenue v. St. Patrick's Club; Garrison Sgt. Mess. v. Police.

September 23—Ping Pong League: Wah Yan College v. St. Peter's Club (Y.M.C.A.).

September 23—Services, Relay Team Championship, Race, 5.15 p.m.

September 24—Tennis Leagues Chinese Recreation Club v. the Rest of the League.

September 24—Ping Pong League: H.K.U. v. Y.M.C.A. (S.C.A.A.).

September 24—Police and Prison Departments' annual aquatic sports, Victoria Recreation Club, starting 3 p.m.

September—Steel and Coulson's Billiard League: R.A. v. Northants; Queen's v. K.O.S.B.; D.R.C. v. R.E. & R. Sigs; St. Patrick's Club v. Revenue; Police v. Garrison Sgt. mess.

October 8-10—Hong Kong Jockey Club's sixth extra race meeting at Happy Valley, Race Course.

Lammerts' Auctions. September 24—At the premises of the Au Chic Parisien, Ground Floor, 12 Pedder Street, the goods and chattels of Marie Flint and J. L. Durand, 10 a.m.

September 26—At 10 Ice House Street, Ground Floor, provisions, perfumes and furniture, etc., 10 a.m.

September 27—Valuable household furniture at 7, Carnarvon Buildings, Kowloon, 11 a.m.

September 28—General meeting of contributors of the Hong Kong Development Building & Savings Society Ltd., (in liquidation) City Hall, 2.30 p.m.

September 27—Annual general meeting of members of the Kowloon Cricket Club, in the Club House, 5.30 p.m.

October 22—Meeting of the New Territories Agricultural Show Committee, at Sheung Shui, 2.30 p.m.

Miscellaneous.

September 21—Reel Club opens season at Helena May Institute, 5.30 p.m.

September 24—St. Peter's Church bathing picnic to Junk Bay, (a.k.a. "Man Tat"), leaves Queen's Pier at 8.45 p.m.

September 24—Entries close for the sixth extra race meeting of the H.K. Jockey Club, noon.

September 25—Public lecture of the Theosophical Society at Lane Crawford's Restaurant, Des Voeux Road, 6 p.m.

September 26—Debate at St. Peter's Church Y.M. Club House, 8.30 p.m.

September 29—H.K.V.D.C. route march from Polo Ground to Talkoo.

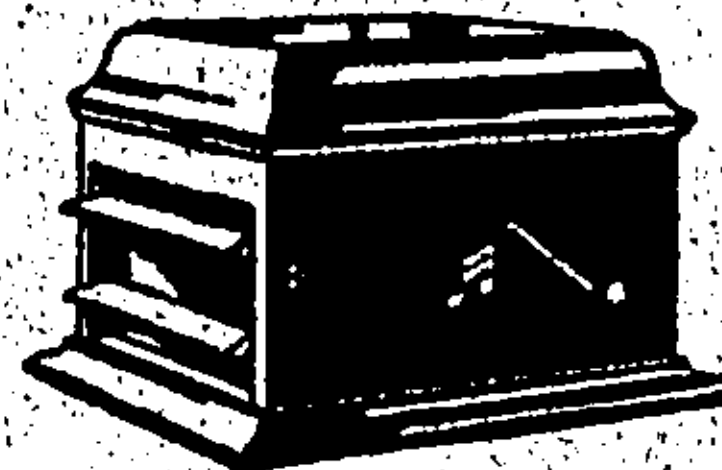
October 8-9—Charity Bazaar of the Chinese Sisters of the Precious Blood, at Catholic Young Men's Club, 16 Cairn Road.

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A large snake, said to be of a poisonous variety, was captured at the Hong Kong Hotel Garage at the foot of Stubbs Road a few days ago. The snake was captured alive by means of bamboo poles with which it was entered into a sack.

Two coolies employed at Shanghai Race Club, standing apart from the foreign spectators watching the movements of the "Pride of Detroit," evidently did not relish the idea of the plane landing at the field. With much waving of arms they shouted "Jillao, jillao," which is the Chinese idea of "go away."

Plans for a temporary garage in Kowloon, to be followed later, if successful, by a building of more permanent nature, have been placed before the Government for approval by the Hong Kong Engineering and Construction Company. The intention is to provide accommodation for twenty private motor cars in lock-up spaces and for about an equal number in the main garage space.

There were three cases of enteric fever, one Scottish, one Filipino and one Chinese on Monday. One was from Victoria and the other two from the New Territories. The return for the week ending September 17, shows two Chinese cases (one fatal) of diphtheria and four cases of enteric fever. Two of the latter proved fatal. One was an imported case. There was also one case of small-pox.

At the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon, a Chinese was charged before Major C. Willson with touting for motor car passengers outside the Star Ferry wharf on the evening of August 14 last. A Chinese detective saw the defendant approach several soldiers who were carrying musical instruments, and heard him call out "Motor car." The defendant was ignored by the soldiers who eventually boarded another car a little further up the street. The detective then took the defendant into custody. Defendant's story was that he knew the soldiers were going to Lee Theatre. They had ordered motor car No. 347 to wait for them, and when they arrived, he (defendant) merely pointed out the car to them. In discharging the defendant, his Worship said that the detective might have made a genuine mistake.

One Chinese case of cerebrospinal fever was reported in the Colony yesterday.

There are dances and games in the Macao Race Club's Pavilion every Saturday evening and throughout Sunday for the entertainment of visitors and members.

According to the vernacular papers, the Hong Kong Police have in custody two men who are alleged to be clansmen and colleagues of a notorious bandit leader in the East River area of Kwangtung.

In connection with the forthcoming visit of the Governor of Macao to Hong Kong, it is stated that the K.O.S. Borderers will provide the guard of honour at Queen's Pier whilst the Portuguese volunteers will be on duty at the Government House function.



Jan Bratiano, Premier of Roumania, and one of the strong men of that country.

The U. S. Government has given a contract to the Glenn Martin Aeroplane Company of Cleveland (Ohio), to build 54 bombing and torpedo planes of a new design for the U. S. Navy at a cost of \$300,000. The Navy Department has also taken an option for the purchase of 98 planes of the same type within five weeks.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL NEWS.

Dwight Morrow, partner in Messrs. J. P. Morgan and Company, has been appointed to succeed Mr. Sheffield, ambassador to Mexico. Mr. Morrow is a long-standing personal friend of President Coolidge.

Messrs. Lelkraj A. Mahanti and F. G. Tharani, late of Poonamul Bros' silk store, have commenced business on their own account as importers and exporters at 21 Wyndham Street under the name of the Eastern Trading Co.

The late Mr. Ernest Henegge Finch (61), of Lexham Gardens, Kensington W., formerly managing director of the Borneo Company, Limited, foreign merchants, whose sudden death was reported recently, left £14,909 (net personalty £14,348).

The death is announced of Sir Ernest Frederick Hatch, Conservative M.P. for Gorton from 1895 to 1906, one of the best-known business men in the North of England, whose travels resulted in the publication of "Far-Eastern Impressions" in 1905.

The engagement is announced between Walter Whentley Kilby, Police Officer, Gold Coast Colony, son of the late Edward F. Kilby, of Yokohama, and Norah Elizabeth, elder daughter, of Lieutenant-Colonel W. H. Young, D.S.O., and Mrs. Young, of Cobb Cottage, Lower Bourne, Farnham.

According to the "Vaderland" Mr. Van Lear Black, who recently flew to the Dutch East Indies and back, has resumed his flights in a K.L.M. machine, with Gossendorfer as pilot—first to Biarritz and further to London, Copenhagen, Stockholm and Oslo. On September 24 he will fly to Venice to be present at the race for the Schneider Cup. The two pilots and the expert mechanic will later be the guests of Mr. Van Lear Black on a trip to America.

Captain Geoffrey Mackworth, C.M.G., D.S.O., whose appointment as captain-in-charge of Singapore was announced on August 22, will relieve Captain Hugh S. Shipway, who was the first officer to take that title. Captain Shipway's appointment was dated October 20, and his predecessors in the post also took office in October. It is probable, therefore, that Captain Mackworth will not take up the appointment until later. Two other officers of the same rank have held this post since the decision was extended to the date at Singapore. Captain C. V. Robinson was appointed in October, 1921, and Captain F. R. Stevens, two years later.

Mr. F. G. Penny, M.P., has been holidaying on the Sussex coast, spending much time on the water. He has now gone to Scotland for stalking and fishing.

The late Mr. Alexander Burnett, of West Blackwater, St. Fergus, Aberdeen, and Garden Road, Aberley, sometime superintendent Works Department, British Municipal Council, Hankow, left £4,493 (personal estate in Great Britain).



Eddie Stinson, famous American pilot, who is planning to make an aeroplane trip around the world in 16 days. It is stated that he will use a monoplane and will take along another aviator as an assistant pilot and navigator.

The new Yangtze chief staff officer will be Commander C. A. G. Hutchison, of the Plans Division, Naval Staff, Admiralty, a well-known motor-cyclist, and the winner of the recent trial for the "Arbutnot" motorcycle trophy. This will be Commander Hutchison's first overseas appointment. His present rank as he was appointed to the Admiralty shortly after his promotion in June, 1924, before which he was second-in-command of the cruiser "Yarrow." The secretary to the Admiralty, Mr. J. B. H. P. (Paymaster) is also mentioned. The new Yangtze chief staff officer will be Commander C. A. G. Hutchison, of the Plans Division, Naval Staff, Admiralty, a well-known motor-cyclist, and the winner of the recent trial for the "Arbutnot" motorcycle trophy. This will be Commander Hutchison's first overseas appointment. His present rank as he was appointed to the Admiralty shortly after his promotion in June, 1924, before which he was second-in-command of the cruiser "Yarrow." The secretary to the Admiralty, Mr. J. B. H. P. (Paymaster) is also mentioned.

In celebration of Confucius' birthday, The Sincere Co., Ltd. will suspend business on September 22, except at their Roof Garden where there will be special decorations for the occasion, and Chinese musical entertainment day and night.

It is understood that nineteen site-holders at Repulse Bay beach have agreed to co-operate in the scheme of the Excavation, Pile Driving and Construction Company for erecting more permanent huts to replace the damaged mat-sheds. If twenty-five in all agree to the scheme the Company has guaranteed to erect the huts (16 ft. frontage by 20 ft. depth, with 10 ft. verandah and two dressing rooms) for \$750 each. The plans are before the Government for approval.

THE THEOSOPHICAL SOCIETY.

PUBLIC LECTURE.

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SUNDAY EVENING at 8 o'clock.
September 25th.
The Theosophical Society.
Speaker: Mr. J. Russell.

Yesterday afternoon, Mr. Horace Lo appeared before Major C. Willson at the Central Magistracy to defend the No. 1 Steward of the s.s. "Chuenchow" who was charged with the unlawful possession of 740 dutiable cigarettes. According to Revenue Officer Young, the cigarettes were contained in a glass box which was locked. The defendant was arrested when he admitted ownership of the cigarettes. Mr. Lo said that he understood that the usual practice was to make no arrest where a summons would do. When Mr. Justice Wood was first police magistrate, his ruling was that in all cases when a defendant could be procured before the Court by other means, he should not be arrested. In his defence, Mr. Lo pointed out that the law allowed a ship to carry a reasonable quantity of cigarettes as ship's stores, and submitted that the onus was on the prosecution to prove that the duty on this particular lot of cigarettes was leviable by law. That being so, he (Mr. Lo) had no case to answer. The Magistrate agreed with Counsel's views and ordered the defendant's discharge.

Miss A. C. Benson, Mr. J. S. Martin, Mrs. Mills and child, Dr. F. Pierce-Grove, Mr. R. A. Wadson and Mr. J. F. Wright are due in Hong Kong by the s.s. "Aeneas" which left Liverpool on August 20.

The former Governor-General of the Philippines, Major-General Leonor Wood, was buried on August 9 on a tall knoll in Arlington Cemetery, Washington, among the Roughriders whom he accompanied at San Juan Hill, Cuba, during the Spanish war.

Passengers arriving here by the "Empress of Canada" yesterday included Mr. and Mrs. L. Dunbar and Miss E. D. Dunbar, Mr. and Mrs. S. T. W. and the Misses A. and B. Frick, Mr. A. Shewan, Mr. F. W. Thayer, Dr. R. S. Kwok, Mr. and Mrs. A. M. Kirby, Mr. A. W. Birchall, Mr. J. S. Gubbay, Mrs. J. W. Larter, Mr. W. Morris, Mr. C. T. and Miss E. Underhill.

His many friends in Hong Kong and elsewhere received with regret news of the death of Capt. C. M. Cochran, of the Dollar Line "President Taft," which occurred on September 9, three days before his ship arrived at Seattle, from Hong Kong. Capt. Cochran was in excellent health when the ship left Hong Kong on August 24 but he fell a victim to pneumonia. At 38 years of age, he was the youngest master in the employ of the Dollar Line and was universally liked for his cheerfulness, and other sterling qualities. He was a native of Hantsport, Nova Scotia.

Colonel Viscount Gort, V.C., Chief of Staff of the Shanghai Defence Force, who is now on his way home, has been appointed General Staff Officer (1st Grade, 4th Division) in succession to Colonel B. B. Crozier. The appointment will take effect on Nov. 4 next. Viscount Gort's place at Shanghai will be taken by Lieutenant-Colonel Haskard, East Yorkshire Regiment. Viscount Gort's appointment to the Shanghai Defence Force was announced on January 27 last, and was temporary. His new appointment to the 4th Division, whose headquarters are at Colchester, is permanent. Viscount Gort entered the Army in 1905, and became Colonel of the Grenadier Guards last year. When appointed to the Shanghai Defence Force, he was Chief of Staff, Instructor, and the Senior Officers' School at Shanghai. Due to many brilliant successes in history, he is an authority, and at the age of 40 he possesses the V.C. and the D.S.O. The M.C. and the D.S.O. are well known awards, and Viscount Gort's appointment to the Shanghai Defence Force was a recognition of his services.

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SPORTS

LAWN BOWLS.

Interest In The Coming Interport.

ANOTHER MEDIOCRE "TRIAL."

Second League Programme Almost Completed.

[By "Short Head."]

On Saturday afternoon the second trial match for the coming interport game drew, if anything, a better crowd than on the previous Sunday. But it was again a "tame affair." That phrase is not mine. It is that of an ex-interport player, who had not seen the first trial and "wondered" at the sheaf of criticisms of that game. Now he is convinced that the papers were right and if the Selection Committee persevere with the No. Ones after two trials they must be simply "hoping" that one of them will be in form on the day of the interport with Shanghai. In which case, it may well be asked: why have trials at all?

In the game between rinks skippered by Pendered and Gray there were at least nine heads that were pitiable to watch, and in the other game—Wallace v. Macfarlane—the same could be said of seven heads, mainly owing to the feeble exhibition of the No. Ones.

Of the No. Twos, Basa undoubtedly enhanced his reputation, putting in some fine work after he got settled down. Reid was disappointing to whoever advocated his claims for a place in the trials, even allowing for the fact that he sent up one or two fine shots after the Number Ones had failed. In the other rink Smith began well but fell off and did not play so well, this allowing McCubbin's play often to shine by contrast.

Of the No. Threes, Cullen was easily the pick of the four. Only occasionally did he fail to do as directed and on the whole his own instructions to his skip were very sound. Brown was outplayed the whole afternoon even though he had a Club-mate as skip. In the other game Morrison was much better than Holland especially when he was asked to draw, and time and again he rolled into second—and sometimes first—place. Holland had also the advantage of playing with a Club-mate as skip, but he may do better in the next trial on October 1, by which time his arm ought to have fully recovered from the recent accident.

Wallace once again held his own as the best of the four skips, and he will have to be in poor form indeed at the final trial to forfeit his place. As against Lapsley on the previous Sunday, Macfarlane was clearly over-anxious, and this cost him some shots that might otherwise have been gained. Pendered ranked next to Wallace on the afternoon's play but then he received much better support from Basa and Cullen than what Gray did from Reid and Brown.

Second Division Match.

The Yacht Club were at home to the Taiako Recreation Club, and put up their best game of the season, going down by only three shots. Edwards was opposed to Dinnen as skip, and won by 22-14. He was behind at the fifth head (2-5) and at the tenth head (7-8), but at the 15th he led by 14-11, and scored eight more against only three by Dinnen. Edwards's best score was a five on the eleventh head.

In the rinks skippered by Davis and Matthews it appeared that the latter would win easily. He led at the fifth head by 8-2, at the 10th by 14-9, and at the 15th by 20-11. Davis scored in the next four heads and actually led by 23-20 at the 20th head. Then Matthews got a two in each of the remaining heads and won by 24-23.

Another see-saw game was that between Shields's and McKechie's rinks. Shields led at the fifth head by 7-5, at the 10th was one down (10-11), but led again at the 14th head when the score was 18-11. Thereafter McKechie scored in seven heads in succession, including a six and two threes, the final score in McKechie's favour being 28-18. But for this debacle the Yacht Club would have won the match.

SKIPS' RECORDS.

The best records among the skips in the Second Division are as under:—

	W.	D.	L.
McTavish, E.P.R.C.	11	1	2
MacLachlan, K.B.G.C.	11	0	2
Lammert, K.C.C.	10	0	4
Lee, E.P.R.C.	9	1	3
Matthews, T.R.C.	9	0	3
Warren, K.B.G.C.	7	4	3
Herridge, K.C.C.	7	1	5
Souza, de Rec.	7	1	6
Ribeiro, de Rec.	7	1	6
Massey, C.S.C.C.	7	0	7
Dinnen, T.R.C.	6	3	3
McKechie, T.R.C.	6	0	5
S. Alderman, C.S.C.C.	6	0	5
F. Knott, C.C.C.	6	0	5

PROFESSIONAL GOLF.

HOME NEWSPAPER TEST.

VETERANS PLAY WELL.

Tadworth (Surrey), Yesterday. In the "News of the World" £1,040 professional golf tournament 64 qualifiers took part in matchplay to-day.

Charles-Whitcombe beat George Duncan at the 20th. Duncan took the lead at the start with a birdie three and was still one up at the turn. Whitcombe drew level for the first time at the tenth and took the lead at the 14th. At the 17th they were all square. The next two were halved and at the 20th Whitcombe, putting from six yards, laid a dead stymie. Duncan attempted to loft with his niblick and pitched on top of his opponent's ball. He then knocked the balls away as a token of defeat.

The veterans played magnificently. Alec Herd, Harry Vardon, James Braid and Ted Ray were all victorious.—Reuter.

U.S. WOMEN'S GOLF.

OPENING ROUND OF CHAMPIONSHIP.

CANADIAN LEADING.

New York, Yesterday. Miss Ada Mackenzie, the Canadian champion, headed the field with a brilliant round of 77 in the qualifying test of the American ladies' golf championship at Cherry Valley, Long Island.

The next best scores were:—Miss Orr, Kansas City 78
Mrs. Fraser, Ottawa 82
Mrs. Van Wie, Chicago 83
Miss Bressler, Los Angeles 83
Other qualifiers were Mlle. Delachaux, Paris, the holder of the British and French championships, 87; Miss Glenna Collett, 85; Mrs. Hurd (nee Dorothy Campbell) 89.

The last two are ex-holders. Mrs. Stetson, holder, returned 96 and did not qualify. She played with a temperature of 101, and a physician and nurse accompanied her.—Reuter's American Service.

LOCAL GOLF.

LADIES' SECTION TO HOLD AN "AT HOME."

The Ladies Committee of the R.H.K.G.C. will be "At Home" at either Fanling or Deep Water Bay on October 11, when a Medal Competition will be held. Full particulars are being circulated to members of the Section, who are requested to indicate their preference as to the course when sending in their entries.

In order that handicaps may be brought up to date members of the Ladies' Section are asked to put in three cards of 18 holes, either at Fanling or Happy Valley, before October 30.

THE SCHNEIDER CUP.

UNDER AIR SECRETARY'S FLIGHT.

London, Yesterday. Sir Philip Sassoon, Under Secretary for Air, will make a flight of 800 miles to-morrow to Venice in order to see officially the Royal Air Force pilots representing Great Britain who are taking part in the Schneider Cup race on Sunday. Sir P. Sassoon will leave Lympne Aerodrome shortly after dawn in a new type of Fairey aeroplane similar to those which flew recently from Cairo to the Cape and back. The pilot will be Flight Lieut. Jones Williams.

A short halt will be made at Lyons for lunch and the flight will then proceed across the Alps. Special facilities have been afforded by the Italian Air Force to land at the Lido Aerodrome, which has now been closed until the Schneider Cup Race is over. It is hoped the machine will arrive at Lido between four and five o'clock to-morrow afternoon.—British Wireless Service.

N. Z. CRICKETERS.

DEPARTURE FROM ENGLAND.

London, Yesterday. Sir Rowland Blades, Lord Mayor of London, entertained the New Zealand cricket team to breakfast to-day before their departure for France en route for home. Earl Jellicoe and the two famous cricketers, Lord Hawke and Lord Harris, were among those who took part in the farewell ceremony.—British Wireless Service.

LOCAL CRICKET.

INDIANS v. VOLUNTEERS.

The following will represent the Indians in the above match on Sunday next, on their ground commencing at 2 p.m.:—
A. H. Rumjahn, A. H. Madar, F. M. el Arculli, J. S. Abdul-Curreem, S. H. Ismail, M. P. Madar, S. A. R. Ismail, J. S. Ackbar, A. S. Saffad, S. A. Ismail (captain), A. K. Minu. Reserves: A. R. Minu and S. A. Hussain.

SMALLER BALL.

JACK HOBBS GIVES HIS OPINION.

The famous batsman, Jack Hobbs, contributes to the "Windsor Magazine" an article entitled "My Cricket Reforms," which contains a number of interesting and valuable suggestions. In the course of his theme, the distinguished cricketer says:—

The manner in which people talked before the season started about the smaller ball suggested that they thought it was to be about the size of a golf ball. Spectators will no doubt be surprised to find that they notice no difference at all. To the players only, and the bowlers especially, will the change mean anything, and even to them, I suspect, not very much.

We have had balls as small, even smaller, before. Indeed, I was looking the other day at a ball which we used in a Test match at Birmingham in 1924, and it is smaller than anything we are using this season. Centuries were made easily enough before 1926, and will be frequent enough this season to cause no surprise.

I should further help the bowlers by giving them a new ball every 150 runs instead of every 200 runs, as at present—rather than any of the drastic changes in the bats and wickets that were so glibly put forward towards the end of last season.

Every 100 Runs. One gentleman known in the councils of the game told me a few weeks ago that he favoured a new ball every 100 runs. I would not go so far as that, not for English wickets, although it would probably be a welcome rule in Australia and South Africa, where the wear and tear is so much more severe and balls get cut up quickly.

There are changes of ball when the seam bursts open or

other unexpected defect develops quickly, but the rule in England last year was, and is now, that the substituted ball should be one showing about the same amount of wear. I remember that in the second 1926 Test match at Lord's a substitute ball had to be found for a defective one, and there was difficulty in satisfying both sides that it showed just sufficient wear and no more.

No similar rule is in force in Australia and Africa. When a ball becomes defective there it is replaced by a new one, and in our last tour in Australia we had a regular succession of new balls at short intervals in one innings of a Test match. In the very first over a cut so exposed the stitching that a new ball was at once requisitioned. The second did not last long, and so the changes went on. I am sure that innings set up a record in the number of new balls required owing to a variety of causes. All bowlers like new balls, as they fight better, and a trifle more pace can be developed. That is the reason why bowlers are much more dangerous during the first few overs of a new ball, a notable example being Maurice Tate, of Sussex.

LONDON-BRIGHTON WALK.

ITALIAN CHAMPION FIRST HOME.

London, Sept. 10.

The annual London-Brighton Walk (just under 52 miles) under the auspices of the Surrey Club, took place to-day, and resulted in a win for the Italian champion, Carlo Giani, who covered the distance in 8 hours 18 minutes 35 seconds, failing by 7 minutes 21 seconds to beat the record time established by H. V. L. Ross in 1909. Green (Belgrave Harriers) was second in 8 hours 26 minutes 44 seconds; Holt (Yorkshire) next in 8 hours 46 minutes 29 seconds. The morning was wet and cold.

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Berlin	20.44
Copenhagen	18.17
Vienna	34.52 1/2
Helsingfors	192 1/2
Lisbon	2 7/16
Bucharest	785
Buenos Aires	47 15/16
Shanghai	2/6 1/4
Yokohama	1/11 21/32
New York	4.86 19/32
Geneva	25.23
Milan	89.30
Stockholm	18.08
Oslo	18.44
Prague	164 1/4
Madrid	27.96 1/2
Athens	366
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Credits 4 months' sight	1220
On Berlin	131 1/2
On New York	48
Credits 60 days' sight	48 1/2
On Bombay	131 1/2
Wire	131 1/2
On Calcutta	131 1/2
On demand	131 1/2
On Singapore	85 1/2
On demand	85 1/2
On Manila	96 1/2
On demand	96 1/2
On Shanghai	78 1/2
On demand	78 1/2
30 days' sight (private paper)	78 1/2
On Yokohama	103 1/2
On demand	103 1/2
Gold Leaf, 100 fine (per taal)	980
Sovereigns (Bank's buying rate)	980
Silver (per oz.)	25 1/2
Bar Silver in Hong Kong	112 1/2
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Chinese Copper Cash	6 1/2
Rate of Native Interest	7 1/2
Chinese Sub. Coin	29 1/2
Hong Kong Sub. Coin	29 1/2

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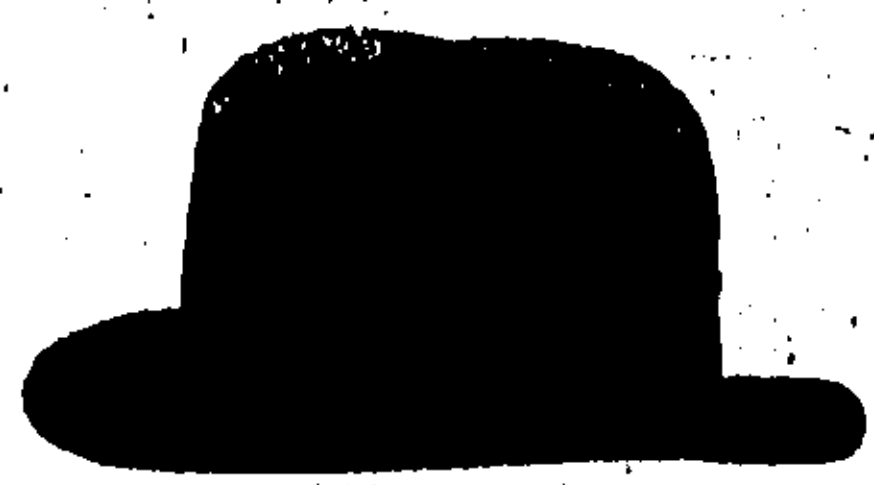
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FASHIONS AND FANCIES



Straws in general are dominating the millinery mode. They are seen in a variety of shapes and in general allow a good deal of freedom in their size and contour.

First of all comes the new rough straw for hats of all occasions. It may shade the face in the widest of brims or snugly outline the head. It lends itself to all modes and all colours.

Paillasson straw is the name of one of the newest rough straws. It is coarsely woven and is much used in the summer hats. It may be in all one shade or flecked with another colour. It is decidedly flattering and therefore will have a vogue of its own throughout the summer season.

Many straws and many combinations of other materials and straws appear to advantage in the summer hats. The large Milan which reaches such tremendous proportions is usually simply trimmed with grosgrain ribbon in tailored fashion. While the Milan hat is still seen, the very large ballbunt and rough straws have succeeded it to some extent. Large hair hats are worn a good deal and are more attractive than ever with their combinations of velvet or lace.

Salin ribbons used in softly tied bows and draped around the crown are also seen in pastel shades that are most intriguing. Often this

ribbon in three or four different colours is found adding a distinctive note to the very large hair hat. Net, lace or mousseline in filmy layers over the hair hat is found adding a graceful note. Flowers are used, too, but these are placed with utmost care so as not to detract from the note of simplicity. Sometimes just a single large flower is used. Other floral trimmings may call for a wreath of delicately tinted posies placed tightly to the close-fitting crown.

In the large rough straws velvet bindings on brims, facings, and as often as not, crowns, are seen in contrasted colours. These may show variety by appearing in all one straw and relying upon ribbon band and bow for trimming.

The hat with the medium sized brim is earning a lot of glory for itself by appearing in all sorts of straws and materials. It shades the face, is most becoming, and, in its smart outline and trimming, the tail is very chic. They appear particularly chic in the new rough straws in perhaps black and white combinations and trimmed in simple fashion with a contrasting coloured grosgrain ribbon binding, band and tailored bow. Felts, in the very light weights are seen in this size, too. Flets and tucks often form an effective decoration of the brim that is so smartly down-turned.

Brims vary. They may be the same width all around, much

shorter in back, wider at sides, unevenly cut all around or smartly pointed at any given place. Crowns possess variety, too. They are both tall and close-fitting, according to the type of hat they accompany.

The very small hat that is a close fitting turban in its outline is effective in most all the straws and fabrics that are used in the larger hats. Bow trimmings—none at all—are used on the small hat.

Combinations of colours are used with much effectiveness. The large hat of black that is combined with flesh is most flattering. Beige tones combined with deeper shades are much seen, too. Striking colours worn with the all white modes achieve much distinction. One of the new notes of the season is the contrasted crown and brim.

Maria Corda, newly engaged for First National films, wears her clothes with much dash and distinction. Her hats are particularly varied. One, which accompanies an all white costume is a medium sized hat of visca straw with a slightly rolled brim, round crown simply trimmed with a band of grosgrain ribbon of white embroidered with black dots.

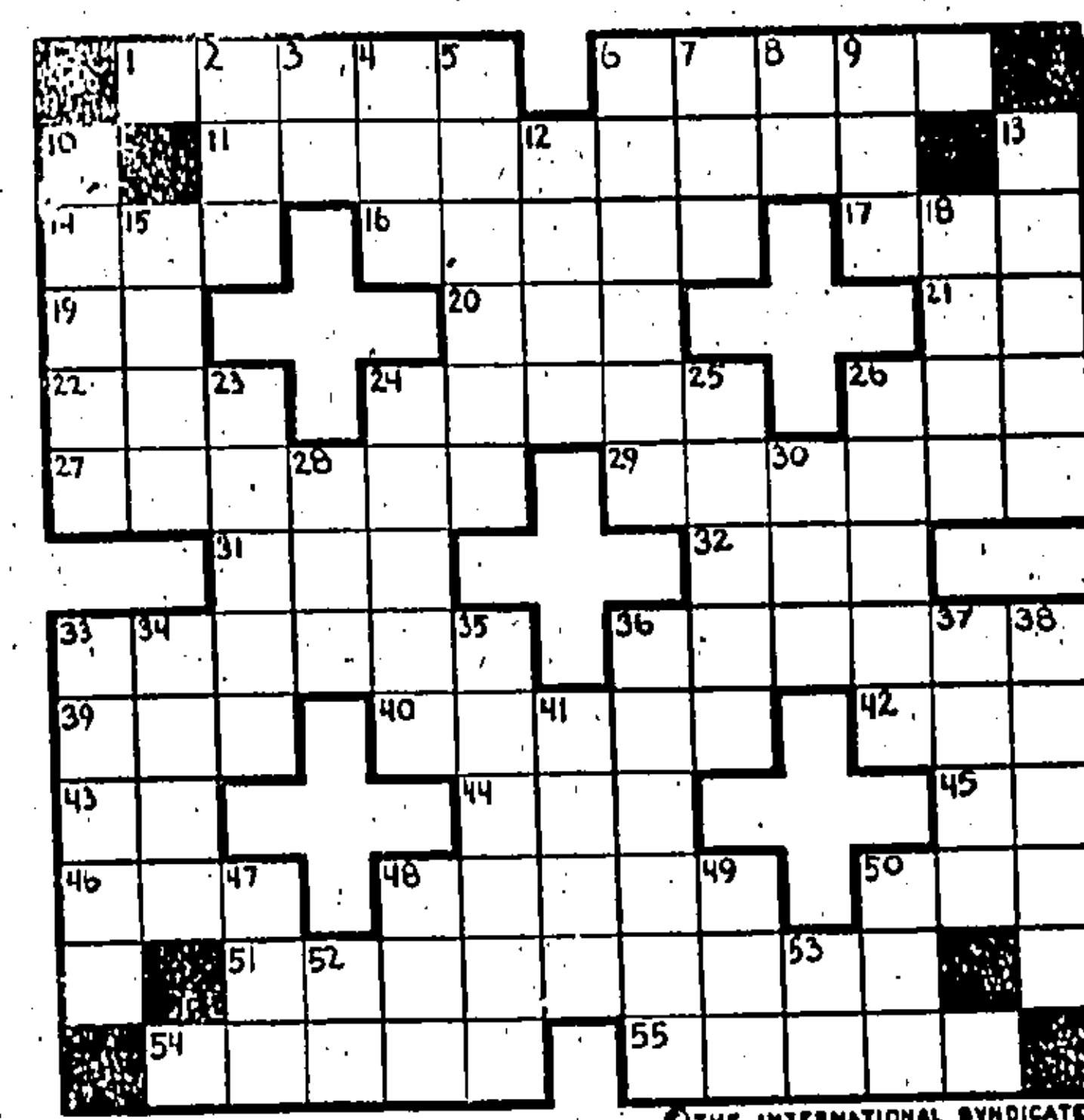
little triangular room and which break up the lines of a mere rectangle. In other cases, the corners are filled with zigzags of solid white, though this is always done symmetrically. Cornices of white are set over the windows.

They are rather like the edge of a pastry pie, being slashed very regularly. In dead white, they make a pleasing contrast with pink or blue taffeta curtains. The taffetas are generally shot or have at least a sort of bloom on them, so that they make harmonies with the chalk white of the cornice. The ordinary lighting, which nowadays consists of geometrical containers of frosted white glass set flat against the wall or of light hung from the ceiling and running along the base of the trapeze, there is added a very pleasing form of window lighting.

Across the middle bar of the window on the outside is placed a tube of light. This gives a glow to the whole window and has the effect from inside of a very sunny day. When used with rosy taffeta curtains it is wonderfully inspiring and shows up to advantage the contents of the room, including also the inhabitants. The tube light has almost ousted the alabaster bowl, which has become too much of a recipe. The old-fashioned glass chandelier has returned, and particularly that in Venetian glass with its curls and swirls and little touches of colour.

DAILY CROSS-WORD PUZZLE.

(This cross-word puzzle has been made by an expert but our readers are warned to look out for occasional phonetic spellings, such as harbor, plow, and altho.)



HORIZONTAL

- 1-To remain upon the feet
- 8-To pour off
- 11-Strong efforts
- 14-Moved quickly
- 16-Telegraphed
- 17-To cut down
- 19-American institute (abbr.)
- 20-A large tub
- 21-Six (Roman)
- 22-Girl's name
- 23-One afflicted with a terrible disease
- 25-An obstruction to flowing water
- 27-Any delicious drink
- 29-Evil spirits
- 31-A game played by children
- 32-Grand Army of the Republic (abbr.)
- 33-Bolled
- 35-Owner of a bank
- 36-Small compact mass
- 40-Repulse

HORIZONTAL (Cont.)

- 42-Locality of mineral springs
- 43-A suffix
- 44-A tree
- 45-Preposition
- 46-A reptile
- 48-A port of Yucatan, Mexico
- 50-A month (abbr.)
- 51-An effort to excel
- 54-Mounting for a picture
- 55-Margine

VERTICAL (Cont.)

- 12-A snare
- 13-Progress through the water
- 15-Helper
- 18-Roughly elliptical
- 23-Performed
- 24-Type of bear
- 25-Fit for a king
- 26-Dagger (pl.)
- 28-A game of marbles
- 30-The front
- 33-Curses
- 34-Connects into leather
- 35-Pollute
- 36-To chide severely
- 37-Heroic poem
- 38-Raves
- 41-An Italian city
- 47-Prefix meaning "through"
- 48-Total
- 49-Top cover
- 50-A unit
- 52-Nickname for "mother"
- 53-The King of Bashan

(The solution of the above cross-word puzzle will appear in to-morrow's issue along with a new cross-word puzzle.)

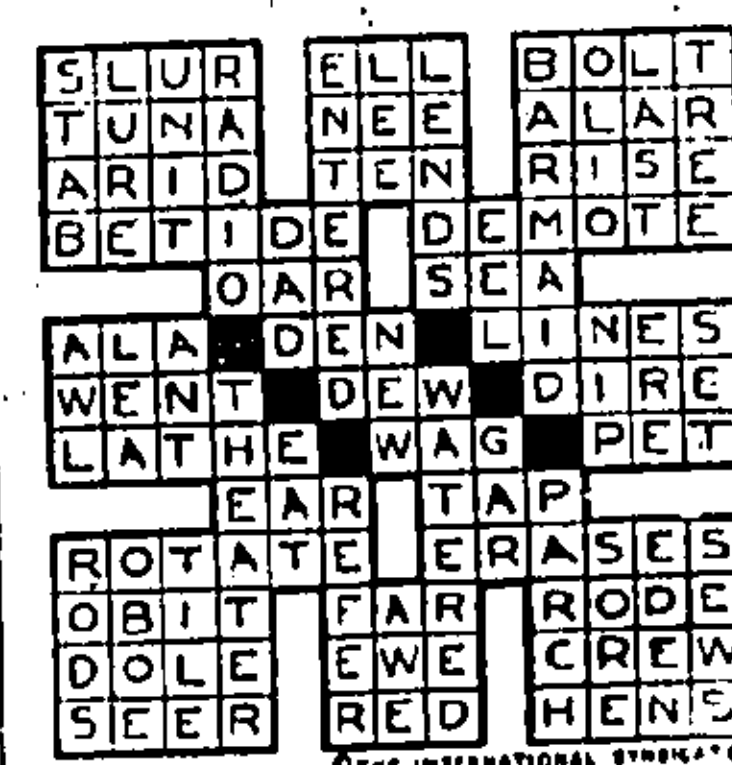
PICTURESQUE BRETONS WANT NEW ART STYLES.

Picturesque old Breton furniture, crudely carved, and dark with age and much waxing, does not please the modern Breton.

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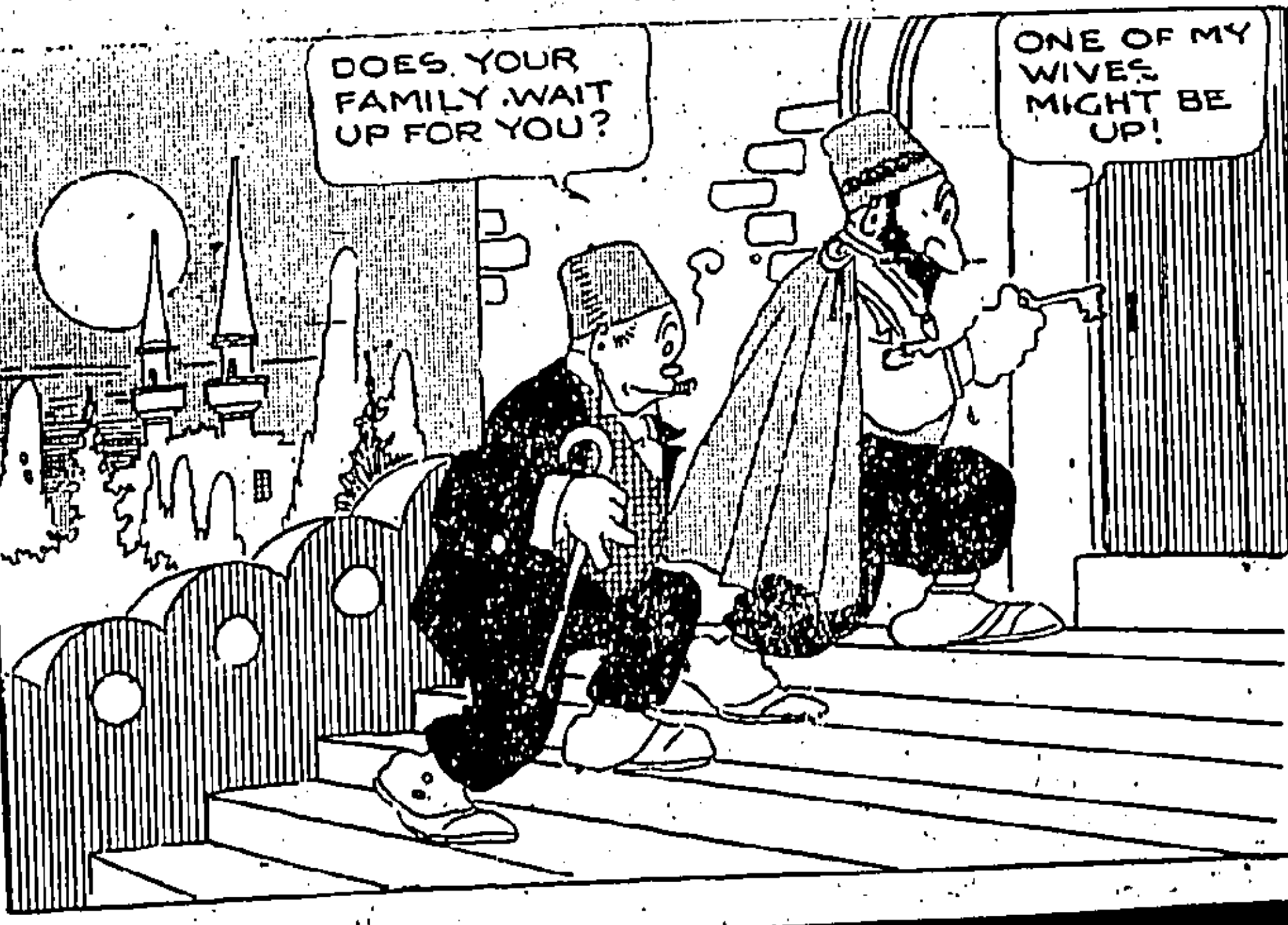
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"ON THE CARPET."**BARRISTERS TO EXPLAIN LANGUAGE OF BRIEF.**

Senator Juan Sumulong, Senator Emiliano T. Tirona, and Messrs. Lavides, Hilado, Faustino, Leviste and Escalin, and Blanco, all attorneys, are in hot water with the Supreme Court, Manila, reports the "Bulletin". In a resolution approved and issued yesterday by the high tribunal, they were ordered to show cause in writing within 10 days why disciplinary action should not be taken against them.

According to the resolution, they are accused of "using such scandalous and contemptuous language in their brief," against Judge Cayo Alzona and Judge Conrado Carballo, of the court of first instance of Laguna, and Luis P. Torres, secretary of justice, in connection with the contested election case of the provincial governor of Laguna. The resolution in part states:

"There appearing on pages 6, 23, 26, 139, 140 and 145 of the brief of the appellant filed in this court in the election contest between Proceso Echarrri, contestant and appellant, and Feliciano Gomez, contestee and appellee, R. G. No. 26072, certain words and expressions of libelous character against Honourable Cayo Alzona and Honourable Conrado Carballo, who presided over the hearing of the case in the court below, and Honourable Luis P. Torres, Secretary of Justice, which are not pertinent and material to the discussion of the questions presented by the record before us.

"It is ordered that Attorneys Jesus E. Blanco, Sumulong, Lavides and Hilado, Tirona, Faustino and Leviste and Escalin, who subscribe said brief, be and are hereby cited to appear before this court within ten days from notice hereof to show cause in writing why disciplinary action should not be taken against them for using such scandalous and contemptuous language in their brief."

Mr. Justice Thomas A. Street, Mr. Justice George A. Malcolm and Mr. Justice Ignacio Villamor dissented against the resolution, believing "it would be sufficient to order the objectionable language stricken from the brief filed on behalf of the appellant, and to admonish counsel to be more restrained in their reflections upon courts and administrative officials."

The judgment of the court of first instance of Laguna, confirming the election of Feliciano Gomez, provincial Governor, was confirmed on September 9 by the Supreme Court. The high tribunal gave Governor Gomez a majority of 427 votes over Proceso Echarrri, his opponent and contestant. The board of censors gave Governor Gomez a majority of only 21 votes, and the court of first instance only 232.

ELGIN MARBLES.**SHALL WE RESTORE THEM?**

"The Nation" of New York, in a recent issue, gives the British Empire some advice on the subject of the Elgin Marbles at the British Museum. It asserts:

"Though the conscience of the British Empire is not notoriously tender it is now mildly troubled by the fact that Greece has just entered a polite request that the Elgin Marbles be returned to her."

"Even when, in 1816, Lord Elgin sold to the Government the treasures he had stripped from the Acropolis at Athens there were those who thought that they belonged by right to the nation which had created them and who argued that the permission he had from the Turkish authorities to cart them away gave him little moral justification for despoiling a subjected people."

"And though a century of possession has a tendency to make any theft seem legitimate there is actually less reason now than ever why London should hold what belongs by every right to Athens. Greece is to-day her own mistress; she could place the sculptures in their proper setting; and there is no longer the danger, actually present in Lord Elgin's time, that they might be destroyed in the course of military operations. Britain is naturally loth to give up one of the greatest treasures of the British Museum, but she has had them for more than a hundred years and possession has amply repaid her for her guardianship."

"Yet loot is loot whatever its nature, and should the British Government see fit to return the Elgin Marbles it would be making, for a Government, a magnificent gesture. It would, that is to say, be acting like a decent individual."

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CAT AND THE CROW.**"RAWALPINDI" PET PROVES OLD ADAGE.**

Sailors have on occasions been known to tell tall yarns, but we know of no one who has been so successful as the "Rawalpindi" pet, September 1, are quite prepared to believe the tale of "the cat and the crow" related to-day by the second officer of the P. and O. "Rawalpindi," which lay in Colombo Harbour.

The tale should be prefaced with two observations, which are:—A ship's cat is different from other cats.—A Colombo crow is different from other crows.

The cat which figures in this tale rejoices in the good old Irish name of Bridget and has won the hearts of the good men who guide the "Rawalpindi" over Eastern seas. Now, Bridget enjoys playing around when the ship is in Harbour, and this morning when engaged in her usual playful pursuits, she espied a villainous-looking Colombo crow sitting on the combing of one of the hatches.

"Ah, ha," thought Bridget, "I'll teach that Colombo wallah a lesson. I'll show him he can't do what he likes on board my ship. I don't go up and down the sealanes of the world without picking up a thing or two." And towards the crow Bridget stealthily crept. She got ready to leap, but still Mr. Crow remained unperturbed on the combing. The impudent and ill-mannered brat," thought Bridget, "Here goes." Straight for the crow sprang Bridget, not knowing that the hatch-covers were off. The crow fluttered aside. Bridget could not stop. She clawed at the combing as she realised her jump was carrying her into the yawning hold. But she could not pull herself up, and down she went, out of the morning sunshine into the darkness of the hold. Full seventy feet through the air she dropped before she reached the hold's bottom.

Of course, forgetting that a cat has nine lives, her owner, who had seen her jump, expected to find old Bridget a heap of mangled flesh and fur at the bottom of the hold. Happily, he did not. He found her as fit and sound as a cat could be. Probably Bridget feels more vindictive than ever towards crows, and probably a certain crow will this evening tell his friends on the tree-tops how he sent a silly old ship's cat to the bottom of a hold.

TRAFFIC COP DUMMY.

The life-size dummy of a traffic cop in full uniform was stolen overnight from its station at a Berlin suburb where it stood as a warning signal for motorists.

Though the intrinsic value of this wooden statue representative of Berlin's finest is but negligible and it is believed that only a hoax was intended, the authorities are inclined to consider the act as a contempt of Prussia's guardians of law and order. They have therefore gone to the trouble of taking up the trail of the practical joker with a number of tried police dogs.

PAGE PAINT.**5,000 YEARS OLD IN BRITISH MUSEUM.**

Face paint used by some Egyptian fapper 5,000 years ago is among exhibits at the British Museum. It was discovered at Ur of the Chaldees by the joint expedition of the British Museum and the University of Pennsylvania. The paint is contained in dainty little shells.

There are also fragments of toilet combs and silver articles which figured on some beauty's dressing table those days. A series of clay tablets, bearing school exercises, religious and grammatical texts, multiplication tables, and directions for finding square and cube roots are also on view. A diagram illustrates the methods used for measuring the area of an irregular plot of ground.

DANGEROUS HUMOUR.**NEWSPAPER'S SKIT ON A DOG RACE.**

Lord Moncrieff, in the Court of Session, Edinburgh, approved of an issue for trial by jury of an action by Mrs. Mary Martin or Farr, Myrtle Cottage, 21 Cherryhillview, Larkhall, against "The Hamilton Advertiser" (Limited), 5-9 Campbell Street, Hamilton, for payment of £250 as damages in respect of alleged slander.

The pursuer avers that in the issue of "The Hamilton Advertiser" of Saturday, January 15, 1927, there appeared an article entitled "The Reward of Kindness: A Tale of the Blessings of Giving."

The article set forth that on a particular evening in "The Sodger Man," a public-house, a number of persons were gathered. One of them, the owner of a dog called Gipsy Lad, issued a wager to the effect that his dog was the best dog in the town, and inviting anyone who thought otherwise to put his money down.

The article, which was in verse and in Braid Scots, proceeded to say, "In stepped we dumpy Billie Faur" in time to hear the challenge. He proceeded to praise his own dog Pussie Nancy, with the result that a race between the dogs was arranged, each owner depositing £2 10s. with the stakeholder.

"There was a consensus of opinion among the company, the article represented, that Billie Faur was demented to oppose his dog to Gipsy Lad. The race, described in the article, was unexpectedly won by Billie Faur's dog.

Represented Her Husband.

The pursuer states that her name is pronounced "Faur" in the locality, and that her husband was represented in the description of "Billie Faur." She avers that the article falsely and calumniously portrays her as a woman of dishonourable, dishonest, and deceitful character; as a woman who, with the object of procuring the victory in a dog race of the dog in the victory of which she was financially interested, tampered with the other dog so that it should not be in a condition to win, and, thus, by trickery and guile and cheating, securing the victory of the dog in which she was financially interested.

The defenders denied having slandered the pursuer. The

ABSENT-MINDED**RED ARROWS AS FINGER-POSTS.**

London, Aug. 31. Huge red arrow in every street pointing the way to the British Association meeting-place serves to rob absent-minded professors of the excuse of losing their way—a popular excuse in the past.

Beetle-browed scientists rub shoulders in the hotels. Crowds of women—some lecturers, some students—contrast with the earlier days, still remembered by one of the General Secretaries, when women were excluded as "a distracting influence."

In addition to the 300 papers of extraordinary variety, the practical demonstrations will include experiments on a flock of sheep to demonstrate the Mendelian process of selection, also Baird's "Noctovision."

DAILY SALUTE.**Bufs' Tribute to Dead.**

London, Aug. 17. Beginning with a method of preserving uniform the colour of the vellum pages of the Golden Book of the War, the East Kent Regiment, known as the Bufs, has arranged to perpetuate daily the custom of saluting the regiment's dead in the Great War.

It has been the custom to select a recruit of good behaviour to represent the regiment. He parades before the adjutant, and receives the colonel's cane, on which is engraved "Commanding officer's order."

The recruit proceeds to the Canterbury Cathedral, where the verger solemnly conducts him to St. Michael's Chapel, and unlocks the iron grille. The recruit salutes, and turns the next page of the Golden Book, in which every soldier's name is inscribed, commencing with privates and ending with generals.

The commandant says the custom has a wonderful influence on recruits, who compete for the daily honour of turning the next page.

article, they explain, was a humorous sketch, the tone of which showed that it was entirely fictitious. They deny that any part of the article was of and concerned the pursuer, and averred that the pursuer's husband had never at any time taken part in dog racing.

Fact or Fiction.

Lord Moncrieff said that, if the article fell to be taken seriously, that was to say, if it might reasonably have been read by a casual reader unacquainted with the facts as referring under whatever circumstances of caricature, to an actual event, he did not doubt that it contained defamatory matter.

In the case of a newspaper which published by way of jest a statement of this order, he was of opinion that parties who claimed to have suffered in reputation as a consequence of the publication were entitled to have their claim investigated upon an examination of the facts, and ought not to be deprived of their right of action by any straining of the law in favour of dangerous and very doubtful humorists.

CHURCH IN CHINA.**SOUTHERN PARTY DENOUNCED BY MISSIONARY.**

Dr. Harold Baine, of the Tsingtau University, spoke, on August 17, at the Summer School of the London Missionary Society at Swanwick, Derbyshire, on the position in China, where he has had 21 years' experience.

He said he wanted them to picture the influence of the Christian Church in dealing with the problems of that great Empire. They must build up the Church in China. That Church had already begun to face the nation on its own account. In the impact in China the Church was winning and he believed that a purer Christian Church would emerge from militarism on the one hand and Communist propaganda on the other. The Church in China was mainly Nationalistic, and yet showed a most wonderful loyalty to the ideals of the Christian Church in difficult circumstances.

The political and industrial revolt had given an opportunity to Communism and class hatred, and that had given rise to the anti-foreign feeling now so rampant all over China. Sectional war lords had arisen, each of them fighting for his own ends. After one set of lords had made their pile others followed with a similar intent. The Southern party were making use of the old militarism, with the cruelties which went with the employment of military weapons.

FIRE PANIC.**100 Dash for Safety.**

London, Aug. 11. A fire in the Eastern rubber factory sent 100 people scurrying for their lives from the adjacent houses. Many were homeless for the night.

The proprietor of a laundry carried out his wife, who was hugging a baby a few days old. The husband collapsed, and neighbours took the trio to safety.

A fireman, playing a hose on the flames from a roof, tumbled into the roaring fire as a beam collapsed. His comrades dug him out of the debris unconscious. He was hurried to hospital.

The street presented an indescribable scene. It was stacked with furniture and full of terror-stricken horses, and running women and children. The factory was gutted, and six shops were damaged.

TROUSERED WOMEN.**Plus Fours To Be Worn.**

London, Aug. 10. Trousered women were seen at the winter fashion displays, says the Paris correspondent of the "Daily News."

The dressmakers' refusal to shorten skirts still further, and the Parisiennes' equally definite determination not to revert to the sweeping trains of 20 years ago, has resulted in a compromise, bringing peace and honour to both sides, in the form of fur-trimmed plus fours, drawn into the leg well below the knee.

These plus fours will be worn with a kind of short tunic belted at the waist, buttoned at the sides and furnished with sleeves and a stiff high collar ornamented with frills and lace.

AIRMEN'S ORDEAL.**MACHINE WRECKED ON GLACIER.**

Vienna, Aug. 31. The terrible ordeal of two Yugoslav airmen, among ice-covered mountains, was revealed when searchers discovered an aeroplane, totally wrecked, on Westalberg Glacier, in the Tyrol. The machine was missed when, with six others, it was returning from the aviation meeting at Zurich.

The pilot was found lying beside the wreckage, suffering terribly. Several bones were broken and his feet were frozen. His companion, Colonel Petrovic, was not injured by the crash, but was frozen to death. "Times of Ceylon."

LEAGUE OF NATIONS.**FRENCH CONTROVERSY.**

London, Aug. 17.

A controversy is raging in Paris as a sequel to M. de Jouvenel's intimation that he did not wish again to be a member of the French delegation to the League of Nations. The most important count in his indictment was the habit of the Foreign Ministers of the Great Powers, while at Geneva, of conferring outside the League and allegedly shelving important issues or preventing the discussion of them either by the Council or the Assembly of the League.

M. de Jouvenel's opponents on the contrary ascribe his resignation to some petty cause, such as jealousy of M. Boncour whom M. Briand latterly encouraged to lead the French delegation when he himself was absent.

The "Daily Telegraph's" diplomatic correspondent expresses the opinion that repercussions are probable at the September meeting of the League when representatives of the smaller Powers are likely to raise the whole question on the revival of the British proposal to reduce the meetings of the League council to three instead of four a year. Critics point out that when the Great Powers were represented by independent statesmen such as Lord Balfour and M. Leon Bourgeois, far more numerous and more important issues were settled than at present, while the League commanded greater prestige. It is argued that the League between 1920 and 1925 did find some first-class solutions of grave questions, whereas the council of Foreign Ministers has hitherto seldom done more than shelve subjects which were brought up for consideration.

ALLEGED MILITARISM.

Berlin, Aug. 11.

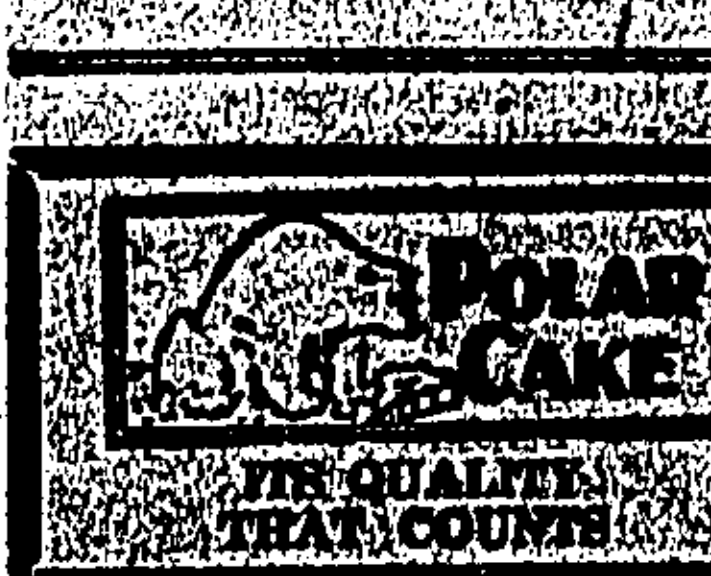
General Guillaumat, Commander-in-Chief of the French occupying the Rhine, writes in a French periodical, accusing the Reich of systematically seeking for a year past to carry out a plan to weld together a fighting force in the occupied territory, which at a given moment could move against the French.

The "Koelnische Zeitung," which is thoroughly informed concerning Rhineland affairs, asserts that General Guillaumat's contentions are untenable. It especially emphasises the fact that German sport is increasingly participating in international contests, and says that Germany has nothing to conceal, but courts the fullest investigation of its activities. It adds that it is quite unfounded that German sports instructors include a percentage of former officers.

SOUTH AFRICA'S GOVERNOR.**Reappointment Favoured.**

Cape Town, Aug. 11. The fact that a Nationalist Minister, speaking on behalf of the Government, has publicly expressed a wish that the Governor-General (Earl of Athlone) should accept another term of office is regarded here as a great personal compliment. The Governor-General is popular with Dutch and English.

The general feeling was that the Government might give way to the Nationalists' prejudice against members of the Royal Family holding such an office, in view of the recent agitation since the Imperial Conference that the Governor-General should be a South African. The Government's attitude has given general satisfaction.

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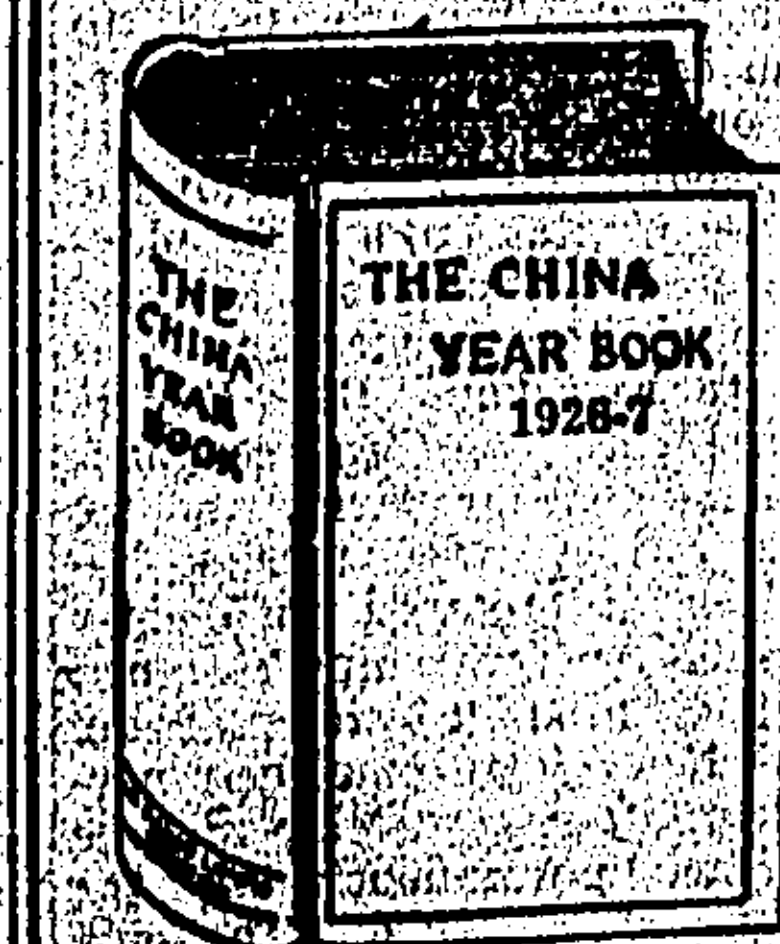
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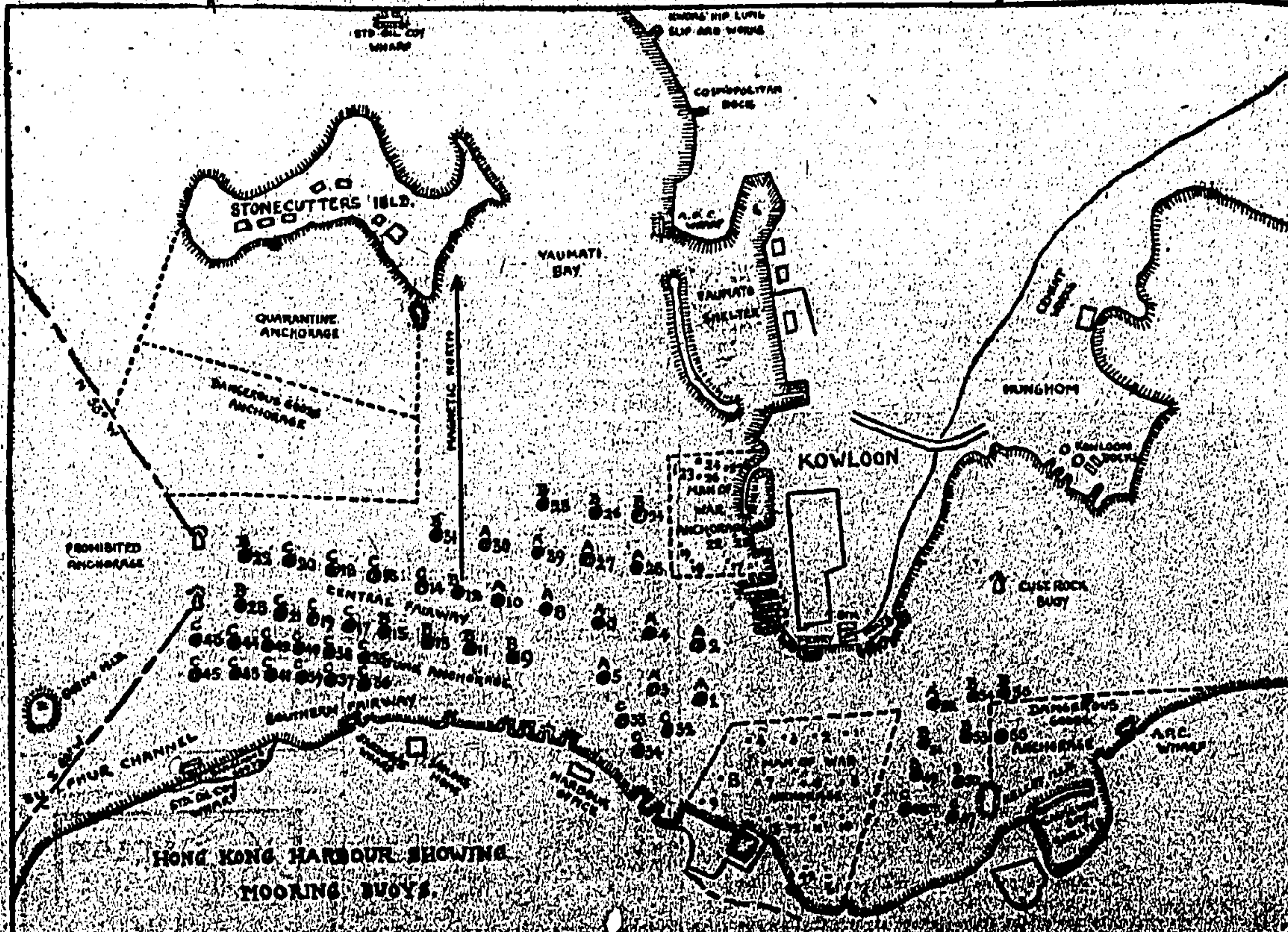
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Record Traffic.

A record in Continental traffic was created at Dover during the holiday week-end (July 29, 30 and 31) when 35,700 persons passed, via Dover, to and from the Continent. July 30 was also a record day, 18,000 passing through the port, including 8,000 to Ostend in seven mail steamers.

The Province of Ontario, Canada, has a telephone for every six people, men, women, and children.

The total U.S. and Canadian grain shipments during the week ended July 30 amounted to 4,569,000 bushels, against 3,597,000 bushels in the preceding week.

Riots Fared in Seoul.

Extensive precautions against disorder were taken in Seoul last Wednesday at the opening of the trial of 95 Korean and Japanese communists charged with "intrigue against the existing social order."

Two persons were killed and two seriously injured, and oil and barges valued at 1,000,000 dollars (\$200,000) were destroyed near Vicksburg (Mississippi) as the result of an explosion on a barge loaded with oil which was on its way from Lake Providence to Memphis.

Madrid mail advices state that impending further increases in the Customs' tariff are expected to result in the almost complete elimination of British manufactured goods from the Spanish market.

Advertising Tyneside.

At a meeting of the Tyneside Industrial Development Committee on August 4, Sir William Noble, Bart., referred to the contribution of Newcastle Corporation of £715 towards the cost of advertising Tyneside. He said it was absurd that a Corporation like Newcastle should be content to contribute a paltry £715, whilst Liverpool spent £5,000 a year for four years in advertising itself. It was decided to go on with the scheme of advertising. Two thousand five hundred and forty pounds is available.

Sir Sydney Chapman, K.C.B., C.B.E., chief economic adviser to H.M. Government, has appointed Mr. H. F. Hill and Mr. W. G. Fergusson to be his private secretaries; and Sir Horace P. Hamilton, K.C.B., permanent secretary to the Board of Trade, has appointed Mr. R. J. Shackie and Mr. H. V. Gibbons to be his private secretaries.

Passport Visa.

An agreement has been reached recently between Germany and Finland, mutually abolishing the necessity for passport visas. Germany has now similar agreements with 15 countries, including Holland, Sweden, Portugal, Switzerland, Austria and Japan, and it is hoped that Britain will soon be added to the list.

Hull Trinity House, one of the oldest corporations in the kingdom, founded in 1369, on August 4, installed the Right Hon. T. R. Ferens, Lord High Steward of Hull, and Major Arthur J. Atkinson, shipowner, of Hull, as honorary brethren. The Prince of Wales was the last to be enrolled.

The directors of the London and North-Eastern Railway have appointed Mr. P. S. Ludlam, at present district goods manager at Liverpool, as district goods and passenger manager at Ipswich. He succeeds Mr. F. E. Day, the divisional commercial superintendent at Ipswich, who retires on September 30.

The Frozen North.

Mr. D. Lloyd Jones, son of Mr. Lloyd Jones, Pwllheli, has been appointed by the Canadian Government as a navigation officer on a hydrographic survey ship which has been chartered to explore for two years unknown land in the frozen North. The ship will carry aeroplanes and 60 officers from Ottawa.

A Danzig message states that the fleet of the Polish State Co., the "Zegluga Polska," comprising six freight and two passenger ships, has been earmarked as a naval reserve. The "Przeglad Wiezorny" states that the board of directors is in future to consist exclusively of naval officers.

With a view to perfecting their knowledge of Spanish, as well as spending an enjoyable holiday, 35 boys of the Alsop High School, Liverpool, on August 4, sailed for Santander, in the Pacific Steam Navigation Co.'s liner "Orbita." Special arrangements have been made with the Mayors and British Consuls of districts to be visited, and, owing to the favourable terms arranged, the total cost of a holiday lasting over a month will be less than £10 per head.



Taft's 70th Birthday.

Murray Bay, Quebec, on September 15, celebrated the 70th birthday of William Howard Taft. The former President was in the best of health and good humour. His two sons, Robert and Charles, and their wives; his daughter, Helen, and her husband, and his ten grandchildren were with him at the celebration.

Mr. E. P. Finch, Manila newspaperman formerly with the "Times" and later with the "Bulletin," is now on the staff of the "Los Angeles Times."

Osborne Wood arrived at Santa Fe on September 15 to work for a mining company. Asked about his financial ventures, he said with a grin, "We'll just forget about all that. I've got a job and I'm going to be busy with it."

Russian's Suicide. Paul Koseiakoff, a Russian subject in the employment of Ballan lumber mill, shot himself on September 6, in Lumbaro, Zamboanga. The bullet passed through his brain. The motive of the suicide could not be determined. The night before Mr. Koseiakoff was seen with Mr. Chernigun, another Russian, and he appeared happy, the report states. Authorities are investigating.

The following were passengers to South Africa by the Union-Castle R.M.S. Edinburgh Castle, sailing from Liverpool on August 5:—Sir James Crawford Maxwell, K.B.E., C.M.G., M.A., and about 62 South African farmers.

Mr. Daniel R. Crissinger, governor of the federal reserve board, Washington, resigned on September 15 to become chairman of the executive committee of F. H. Smith Company of Washington, an investment banking concern.

Commercial Union's Offices. Lengthy conferences have been held by the directors of the Commercial Union Assurance Co. regarding the future of the partially destroyed building in Cornhill. Although a definite decision may not be made known for some little while, it will not be surprising if there is erected an entirely new building on American lines, somewhat higher than the existing building, with greatly increased window space, and the various floors so arranged that the staff may move about with greater freedom than in the days prior to the Cornhill collapse.

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INWARD MAILS.

From	WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21	Per
Straits	Van Overstraten.	
Japan	Tango Maru.	
Shanghai	Soochow.	
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22		
Straits	Hosang.	
Straits	Nyanza.	
Shanghai	Kanchow.	
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23		
Japan, Shanghai and Europe via Siberia.	Katori Maru.	
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26		
U.S.A., Honolulu, Japan and Shanghai.	Siberia Maru.	
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TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27		
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SUNDAY, OCTOBER		
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OUTWARD MAILS.

For	WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 21	Per	Time
Manila	Empress of Canada	3.30 p.m.	
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Holhow	Yan On	5 p.m.	
Straits	Taucer	5 p.m.	
THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 22			
Manila, Australia & New Zealand via Thursday Island—due Thursday 4th Oct. Registration 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	Tango Maru.		
Japan, Canada, U.S.A., C. & S. America & Europe via Victoria, B.C.—due Victoria, 17th Oct. Registration 9.45 a.m. Letters 10.30 a.m.	Achilles.		
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa.	Del Maru	10 a.m.	
Java via Batavia	Tjikarang	11.30 a.m.	
Java via Sourabaya	Taikowany	2.30 p.m.	
Straits	Svale	2.30 p.m.	
Shanghai, Japan & Europe via Siberia	Nyanza	2.30 p.m.	
Saigon	Solviken	3.30 p.m.	
FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 23			
Swatow, Amoy & Foochow	Hai Hong	Noon	
Shanghai	Sunling	5 p.m.	
Amoy	Hosang	5 p.m.	
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 24			
Straits, Ceylon, India, Mauritius, E. & S. Africa, Aden, Egypt & EUROPE via Marseilles—due Marseilles, 23rd Oct. K.P.O. Registration 4.30 p.m. Letters (24th Sept.) 9 a.m. C.P.O. Registration (24th Sept.) 8.45 a.m. Letters 9.30 a.m.	Katori Maru.		
Amoy	Klungchow	5 p.m.	
SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 25			
Swatow, Amoy & Formosa	Hoson Maru	9 a.m.	
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 26			
Amoy	Bochow	5 p.m.	
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When "Carrie," the 12ft. craft on which Mr. E. P. Tierney proposed to pedal across the Atlantic, was lowered into the dock at Dover, she heeled dangerously over on her port side.

Mr. Tierney, who was on board, at once started to pedal but made almost no headway, though the vessel was assisted by the small windmill contrivance fixed on deck.

The "Carrie" was towed about the harbour by a rowing boat but retained her list, and Mr. Tierney, when he came ashore, said she was leaking badly, and he would now await the arrival of his 86-years-old Manchester friend, Mr. Matthewson.

Mr. Tierney, a Salford hairdresser, proposed to cross the Atlantic in "Carrie," without steam or sails or oars.

Former Steward.

Mr. Tierney, who is a bachelor, aged 30, was formerly a steward in the "Aquitania," and has earned four war medals in addition to the Military Medal. He came to Dover and awaited the arrival of his "magic canoe," which was packed in a single railway truck.

His navigator is Mr. Matthewson, whom he described as "the youngest man engaged in the Crimean War and the oldest soldier serving in the late war." He is an ex-skipper, said Tierney, and the only man entitled to wear the Arctic medal.

50 Days' Journey.

The boat, as described by Mr. Tierney, has a propeller worked by a windmill. When there is no wind, Mr. Tierney said, Mr. Matthewson and I will take turns to work the propeller, either by our feet as on a pedal bicycle or by hand as in the case of an invalid chair.

The pedal ship "Carrie," otherwise Tierney's Atlantic ship, is the invention of Mr. William Oldham, a Manchester motor mechanic. She draws two feet of water, and has a beam of three feet.

Mr. Tierney hopes to reach New York inside of 50 days.

FLOODS IN MEXICO.

25,000 PEOPLE NOW HOMELESS.

BIG PROPERTY LOSSES.

Mexico City, Yesterday. It is unofficially estimated that there are 25,000 homeless in towns and villages along the Lerma River in consequence of the floods. Only six deaths have hitherto been reported. Meagre reports indicate that most of the inhabitants of the inundated region escaped but thousands suffered heavy loss of property. Half of Acambaro, in the State of Guanajuato, was destroyed.

A relief train has departed to the scene of the disaster. Mexico City Railway headquarters have received brief messages from other points indicating that the flood is slightly subsiding.—Reuter's American Service.

U.S. STOCK MARKET.

FLOOD OF SELLING ORDERS.

A STRONG RALLY.

New York, Yesterday. The stock market had a sensational "switchback" excursion when a flood of selling orders hit the market, lowering prices, particularly of industrial and thus causing the first serious reverse to the upward trend of the past month. The decline, which was widely predicted several weeks ago, was stimulated by advancing the call money rate to 4 per cent, coinciding with the calling in of about \$15,000,000 in loans. The market rallied strongly by noon, however, and practically all the favorites were reinstated. Reuter's American Service.

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TO-MORROW'S FIGHT.

Most Of The Money On Gene Tunney.

Chicago, Yesterday. After a work-out yesterday before friends, backers and newspaper men, Tunney remarked as he tossed his huge sixteen ounce boxing mitts into the ring chest, "that is positively the last time I



G. Tunney.

shall use these until I meet Dempsey on Thursday night."

Onlookers warmly praised the handiness with which he struck perfectly-timed blows to the heads and bodies of his sparring partners. He appeared to be in the pink of condition. The inflammation of the eye has practically disappeared. He said he never felt better in his whole fistic career.

Dempsey has also finished his heavy work. The manner in which he battered his partners in the last work-out, indicated



J. Dempsey.

that he had reached his old-time fighting form. He is the picture of a fighter brimful of nervous energy.

The former champion poked fun at Tunney's remarks when he first arrived in Chicago that he had come to box and not to fight. "He'll have to fight when I get him in the ring," declared Dempsey. "I'll knock him out or get knocked out in trying."

The betting is 7 to 5 in favour of Tunney.—Reuter's American Service.

SOVIET RISING.

FURTHER DEATH SENTENCES.

Riga, Yesterday. The Military Court at Tauraggen has sentenced eight more participants of the rising. One was immediately executed, but President Smolensky commuted the others to servitude for life. The Court sentenced nine others to servitude for life, three to three to 15 and 20 years respectively. The property of the condemned has been confiscated.—Reuter.

GERMAN FLIGHT.

COLOGNE TO AMERICA ATTEMPT.

Cologne, Yesterday. Koenecke, accompanied by Count Solm and a wireless operator, has started on his flight across the North Atlantic. He does not expect to stop until he reaches America. Thence he will fly to Japan, and possibly continue to America via Surinam and Alaska.—Reuter.

NEW PACIFIC CABLE.

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Many Important Developments Foreshadowed.

Washington, Sept. 12. An era of faster and cheaper communication between North America and trans-Pacific regions is foreseen by officials here when projects now being developed are realized. For several years the British cable from Vancouver to New Zealand and Australia has been in process of doubling, and recently plans for increased operating efficiency were inaugurated which will enhance communications from Canada and northwestern United States to the south Pacific. Recently the Western Union Telegraph Company, hitherto not a factor in trans-Pacific communications, announced its intention to lay a high-speed cable from the United States to Japan, on a route not yet determined, at a cost estimated from \$10,000,000 to \$16,000,000.

U.S. and Philippines. Closely following this announcement, and apparently in anticipation of competition, it is reported here that the Mackay interests, chief owners of the Pacific Commercial Cable system, are considering a plan involving expenditures of \$5,000,000, to establish radio service between the United States and the Philippines, to connect there with a new cable between the Philippines and Shanghai.

The Mackay Company recently denied that they had issued any information as to their using radio, or that they knew the origin of the story, but the statement was so worded as not to deny the possibility of such a development.

The Mackay plan, if consummated, would bring that organization into competition with the Radio Corporation of America, which during the last few years has been developing a system of radio communications between the United States, Hawaii, Japan and the Philippines, with service to China also when political difficulties concerning concessions are resolved.—United Press.

HOME SPINNERS.

AGREEMENT WITH YARN ASSOCIATIONS.

London, Yesterday. Plans for a closer agreement in regard to policy between the Lancashire spinners of American yarn reached an advanced stage to-day when the general committee of the Federation of Master Cotton Spinners' Associations approved the agreement reached last week by the joint committee of the Federation and the Cotton Yarn Association. The agreement will not be published till it has been considered by the executive of the Cotton Yarn Association.

Statistical Bureau. London, Yesterday. A meeting of all sections of the cotton trade in Manchester formally established a cotton trade statistical bureau. Mr. W. E. Thompson, president of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, who was elected president of the Bureau, said ample subscriptions were promised to cover the first three years' working. A provisional committee was appointed.—Reuter.

Objects of Bureau. London, Yesterday. At a meeting at Manchester of representatives of practically all sections of the cotton trade to-day the proposal recently made by the Manchester Chamber of Commerce for the establishment of a cotton trade statistical bureau was adopted. Mr. Thompson, President of the Manchester Chamber of Commerce, who was elected president of the Bureau, said that sufficient subscriptions had been promised to cover the first three years' work.

Nobody in Lancashire now questioned the fact that the position of the cotton industry had materially changed in the past 25 years. It was faced with competitive industries which were not dreamed of 25 years ago. It was obvious that such a change in external circumstances necessitated internal changes of policy or equipment or both. They must see to it that all individuals had available the best information and most complete and authoritative statistics to guide their decisions. That was the practical reason for the bureau's formation.—Reuter.

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